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TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER COLLISION.

CRUISER AND TRAMP.

Router's.
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
via Bombay, May 13, 7.20 a.m.
Received 11.48 a.m.

A message from Folkestone states that a collision took place yesterday morning between H.M.S. London and the tramp steamer Don Benito.

The latter was badly damaged and had to be beached. She had a narrow escape from total loss.

The collision took place in thick weather.

Twelve feet of water got into the holds of the steamer.

[The Don Benito is a steel screw steamer of 3,740 tons gross register, being built in 1906 by Short Bros. Ltd., Sunderland, for the Buenos Ayres and Pacific Railway Co., Ltd. Her length is 350 ft., breadth 50.1 ft., depth 23.3 ft.

H.M.S. London is a first-class battleship of 15,000 tons displacement, being built in 1902.]

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

via Bombay, May 13, 7.20 a.m.
Received, 11.48 a.m.

H. M. the Kaiser has arrived at Karlsruhe, where he has conferred with Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg, Imperial Chancellor; Baron von Biberstein, Ambassador-elect to London; and Herr Kiderlen Waschter, Minister for Foreign Affairs.

SWEDEN AND JAPAN.

via Bombay, May 13, 7.20 a.m.
Received, 11.48 a.m.

Reuter's Stockholm correspondent states that H. M. the King has received the Japanese Minister, Baron Uchida.

LIBERAL PAPERS UNITE.

"MORNING LEADER" DIES.

London, May 11, 5.5 a.m.
Received, 4.38 p.m.

The "Morning Leader" dies today. It is being incorporated with the "Daily News," which will henceforth be styled the "Daily News and Leader."

OBITUARY.

SIR GEORGE WHITE.

London, May 11, 7.25 p.m.
Received, May 12, 7.2 a.m.

The death is announced of Sir George White, M.P.
[Deceased has sat in the Liberal interests for N. W. Norfolk since 1900. He was a well-known manufacturer and a stalwart Nonconformist, being ex-President of the Baptist Union. He was 72 years of age.]

TELEGRAMS.

OLYMPIC TENNIS.

FOUR FINALS DECIDED.

Router's.
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, May 12, 1.45 p.m.
Received, May 13, 3.51 a.m.

Reuter's Stockholm correspondent telegraphs that in the Olympic covered courts doubles final, Gobert and Germot (France) beat Setterwall and Kempe (Sweden) by 3 sets to 2.

In the final of the ladies' singles, Mrs. Hannam (Britain) beat Miss Castenschiold (Denmark) by 6-1, 6-3.

London, May 12, 7.50 a.m.
Received, May 13, 8.16 a.m.

In the final of the gents' singles, Gobert (France) beat Dixon (Britain) by 8-6, 6-4, 6-4.

The mixed doubles final resulted in victory for Dixon and Mrs. Hannam (Britain), who beat Roper Barrett and Miss Aitchison (Britain) by 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

HOME RACING.

THE JUBILEE STAKES.

London, May 11, 4 p.m.
Received, May 12, 3.5 a.m.

The following changes are notified for the Jubilee Stakes—Sir Martin will be ridden by Stern, Wolfe and by Trigg, Wise Symon by E. Huxley and Cyllius by Stokes. Desmond will not run. The place betting is 2/1 Mustapha; others proportionately.

London, May 12, 2.15 a.m.
Received, 7.55 a.m.

The result of the Jubilee Stakes was as follows:—
Bachelor's Hope, ... 1.
Whisk Broom, ... 2.
Mustapha, ... 3.
The starting prices were 100/0 the winner, 15/2 the second and 17/1 Mustapha.

Twelve ran. Won by four lengths; six lengths between second and third.

DERBY SCRATCHING.

London, May 11, 3 p.m.
Received, May 12, 1.3 a.m.

Coriander was scratched from the Derby at nine to-day.

HOME CRICKET.

AFRICANS BEAT SURREY.

London, May 11, 1.55 p.m.
Received May 12, 12.35 a.m.

The South Africans beat Surrey by 52 runs.

M.C.C. beat Kent by 73 runs.

Hampshire beat Somerset by 202 runs.

Yorkshire beat Leicestershire by nine wickets.

TAILORS STRIKE.

London, May 11, 7.25 p.m.
Received, May 12, 7.2 a.m.

The East End tailors have struck, and altogether between twenty and thirty thousand are out.

TELEGRAMS.

COAL BOARD FAILURE.

MINERS' DECISION.

Router's.
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, May 11, 3 p.m.
Received, May 12, 1.3 a.m.

The South Wales miners have decided not to attend the District Board pending a conference of the Miners' Federation on May 21st.

ANOTHER AWARD.

London, May 12, 4.25 a.m.
Received, 7.10 p.m.

The decision of the miners of South Wales to refer to the Federation is regarded as a victory for the Moderates. Lord Mersey has issued an award fixing the rates in Northumberland at 4s 9d. for day-workers and 5s. 6d. for piece-workers. The award is generally approved and compares with Lord St. Alwyn's 4s. 6d. for day-workers in South Wales.

ENGLISH WEATHER.

SERIOUS DROUGHT.

London, May 12, 4.25 a.m.
Received, 7.10 p.m.

The temperature in London yesterday was seventy-nine in the shade, which constitutes a record for the season. Anxiety prevails on account of the continuance of the drought. The total rainfall for fifty-seven days is only .37 of an inch.

NOVEL AWARD.

DAIRYMAN v. AVIATOR.

London, May 11, 5.5 a.m.
Received, 4.38 p.m.

Reuter's Sydney agent states that a dairyman has obtained damages from an aviator who caused a number of cows to stampede, two being killed and others injured.

NORTH BORNEO.

THE GREATEST NEED.

via Bombay, May 12, 7.40 a.m.
Received, 11.50 a.m.

Sir West Ridgway, on his return from North Borneo, said he hoped a comprehensive scheme of immigration of settlers with their families would be undertaken. Population was the great need of the country. Extensive roads would be one of the chief items in the new programme.

TURKEY'S TRIALS.

ALBANIAN REVOLT.

via Bombay, May 11, 4.10 p.m.
Received, 8.45 p.m.

Turkey is hurrying reinforcements to Albania, where a revolt has broken out at Scutari and Ipek, the troops sustaining a reverse. It is feared the Mirdites and other powerful clans will join in the revolt.

TELEGRAMS.

CHINESE LOAN.

LARGE SUM NEEDED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, May 13, 9.10 a.m.
Received, 9.31 a.m.

At Saturday's meeting between the international bankers and Hsiung Hsi-ling, Financial Minister, the latter practically agreed to supervision of the loan proceeds.

Continued signs of unrest among the troops make a large loan imperative.

CHANGING CHINA.

THE NATIONAL FLAG.

(From Chinese Sources.)
Shanghai, May 12.

The Advisory Council in Peking has decided to adopt the flag of five colours as the national ensign, but the standard to be used by the Army and Navy has yet to be decided upon.

TANG MAY RESIGN.

The Advisory Council is strongly opposed to the hurry evinced in negotiating for foreign loans and it is reported that Tang Shao-yi feels ill at ease and is determined to resign.

INFORMATION SUPPLIED.

Hsiung Hsi-ling, Minister for Finance, has presented a return of the national revenue for the information of the international loan syndicate. Hsiung intends to make use of the revenue obtained from salt and tea as securities for the loan.

PRELIMINARY ADVANCE.

The International Loan Syndicate will advance Tls. 6,000,000 to the Chinese Government on May 14.—"Shat Po."

A COVERT THREAT.

Peking, May 12.

Hsiung Hsi-ling has made an announcement that after the Advisory Council has passed the estimates made by the Government and his policy of reform is introduced, he will take up his office as Minister of Finance permanently. Meanwhile he only regards the appointment as temporary.

THE CONTROL QUESTION.

It is reported that the loan advanced to China will be devoted in the first case to meet military and naval expenditure. Consequently the question of the control of the country's finance has again been raised and the loan syndicate will attempt to force a limitation of armaments and even a disbanding of some of the forces if necessary.

OFFICIAL MURDERED.

Wu Han, superintendent of taxes in Wu-how, Kiangsi, has shot Chung Chun-chen, Commissioner for International Affairs, at the offices of the Governor-general. The motive is said to be some personal grievance. Wu has been placed under arrest.—"Bei Kai Kung Yik Po."

TELEGRAMS.

OUR NAVY.

FINE SHOOTING.

Router's.
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
via Bombay, May 11, 4.10 p.m.
Received, 8.45 p.m.

The King congratulated the Orion on the splendid results of her practice firing. With the thirteen inch guns, 21 hits out of 28 shots were registered at a range of six thousand yards. The squadrons, on returning to harbour after seven hours at sea, were attacked by the submarine division.

AIR-SCOUTING BOOM.

The prominence given to the tests of airmen at the naval manoeuvres and the King's interest therein are expected to give an impetus to airscouting in the Navy.

UBIQUITOUS WINSTON.

Mr. Winston Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty, after the Home Rule division in the House of Commons, motored to Bournemouth, whence he proceeded at full speed on a destroyer to Weymouth, being just in time to board the Hercules as she was putting to sea.

ROYAL PRAISE.

via Bombay, May 12, 7.40 a.m.
Received, 11.50 a.m.

At Weymouth the King, replying to an Address, expressed his unfailing interest in the splendid service of the Navy, and his pride and satisfaction in finding the highest standard of its glorious past maintained more securely than ever.

NAVAL GUNS.

AN 18-INCHER?

London, May 11, 4.15 a.m.
Received, 5.15 p.m.

Mr. Gladhill, of Messrs. Armstrong and Whitworth's, speaking at a meeting of the Iron and Steel Institute, said there were whispers of a new eighteen inch gun weighing from 150 to 200 tons.

GERMANY'S NAVY.

NOT AGGRESSIVE.

London, May 11, 7.25 p.m.
Received, May 12, 7.2 a.m.

Reuter's Berlin agent states that the Budget Committee of the Reichstag has begun the debate on the Navy Bill. The Naval Secretary, Admiral Tirpitz, alluding to the strained Anglo-German situation last summer, while giving every attention to Mr. Asquith's denial that Great Britain intended to attack Germany, declared that Great Britain undoubtedly made preparations on no inconsiderable scale, although this did not necessarily mean any intention to go to war. Admiral Tirpitz repeated the announcement that the German Navy is not aggressive in character.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME RULE.

MODEST SCOTLAND.

Router's.
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, May 11, 5.5 a.m.
Received, 4.38 p.m.

Mr. McKinnon Wood, speaking in Edinburgh, said Scotsmen did not want Home Rule precisely on Irish lines. They wished to retain all their members at Westminster, not from selfish motives, but because of the loss to the Empire if they were withdrawn.

MINISTER'S VIEW.

The Right Hon. Walter Runciman, speaking in Liverpool, said anti-Home Rule feeling was mild and half asleep. The passing of the second reading in the House of Commons showed a clear British majority of 39 in favour of Home Rule. Welsh Disestablishment, he said, was only the preliminary to English Disestablishment.

THE DARDANELLES.

MINE-CLEARING DELAYED.

via Bombay, May 11, 4.10 p.m.
Received, 8.45 p.m.

Reuter's Constantinople agent states that the work of removing the mines from the Dardanelles has been suspended on the plea of unfavourable weather. The delay is disquieting shipping circles and making an impression in diplomatic quarters.

A RUSSIAN SENTENCE.

ENGLISH WOMAN IMPRISONED.

London, May 11, 5.5 a.m.
Received, 4.38 p.m.

Reuter's Warsaw agent reports that an Englishwoman named Miss Malecka, the daughter of a Polish patriot of the forties, has been sentenced to a term of four years' penal servitude for consorting with revolutionaries. The arrest of Miss Malecka caused much agitation in England. The trial was public owing to the representations of the British Government.

UNION FUNDS.

IMPORTANT BILL.

London, May 11, 3 p.m.
Received, May 12, 1.3 a.m.

The Bill reversing the Osborne Judgment, to be introduced, according to Mr. Asquith's recent announcement, before White-tide, has been issued. It empowers Trade Unions to devote funds to political objects if approved by a majority of members voting by ballot. Any member unwilling to contribute may be exempted by giving notice, but he shall not be excluded from any office.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

Telegrams

Unrest among the Chinese troops makes a large loan imperative, and it is reported that at the meeting between the international bankers and the Minister of Finance on Saturday, the latter practically agreed to supervision of the funds.

In connection with the Olympic games at Stockholm, Franco has won the gents' doubles and gents' singles lawn tennis, while Britain has secured the mixed doubles and the ladies' singles.

Speaking at Liverpool, the Right Hon. Mr. Runciman stated that Welsh Disestablishment is only the preliminary to English Disestablishment.

The drought at Home is causing great anxiety.

Sir West Ridgway asserts that the great need of North Borneo is population, and he hopes that a comprehensive scheme of immigration of settlers and their families will be undertaken.

The King has expressed his satisfaction at finding the highest standard of the Navy's glorious past maintained as securely as ever.

The Jubilee Stakes were won by Bachelor's Hope.

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At cricket, South Africa beat Surrey, M.C.C. beat Kent, Hampshire beat Somerset, and Yorkshire beat Leicestershire.

Shipping circles are uneasy at the delay in removing the mines in the Dardanelles, the suspension of the work being due to a plea of unfavourable weather.

At a range of six thousand yards, H.M.S. Orion made 21 hits out of 28 with her 13.5-inch guns.

The latest trouble which Turkey has to face is a revolt in Albania.

Naval air-scouting at Home is expected to "boom" in consequence of recent prominence given to it in the manoeuvres.

An Australian aviator has obtained damages against an aviator who caused his cows to stampede, killing two and injuring others.

For consorting with revolutionaries, Miss Malecka, an English woman, has been sentenced to four years' penal servitude in Russia.

There are rumours at Home that a new 18-inch gun is to be brought out.

Between 20,000 and 30,000 East End tailors have gone on strike.

In the Reichstag, the Naval Secretary declared that Britain undoubtedly made not inconsiderable preparations to attack Germany last summer.

Sir George White, the well-known Nonconformist M.P., is dead.

H. M. S. London has come into collision with the tramp steamer Don Benito, and the latter has had to be beached.

H. M. the Kaiser has had an important conference with the Imperial Chancellor, the Foreign Minister and the Ambassador-elect to London.

Several cases of offences against the Arms Ordinance were tried at the Police Court to-day.

A Chinese sought a gas leakage with a match in Hollywood Road to-day and a serious fire was only averted by the presence of mind of another Chinese who cut off the gas at the main. The brigade was called out.

Mr. Ross, of the P. W. D., speaking to-day on behalf of two of his coolies who were charged at the Police Court with assaulting a European, referred to police interference.

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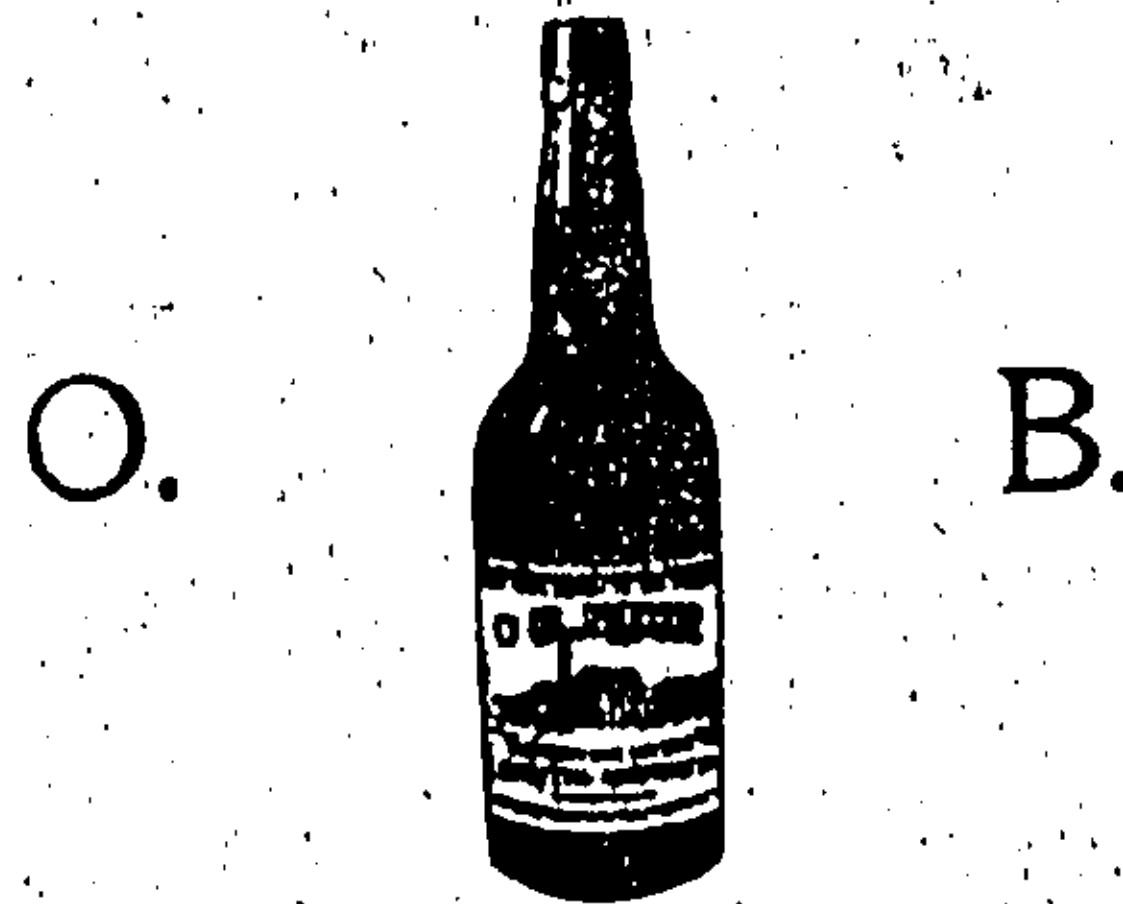
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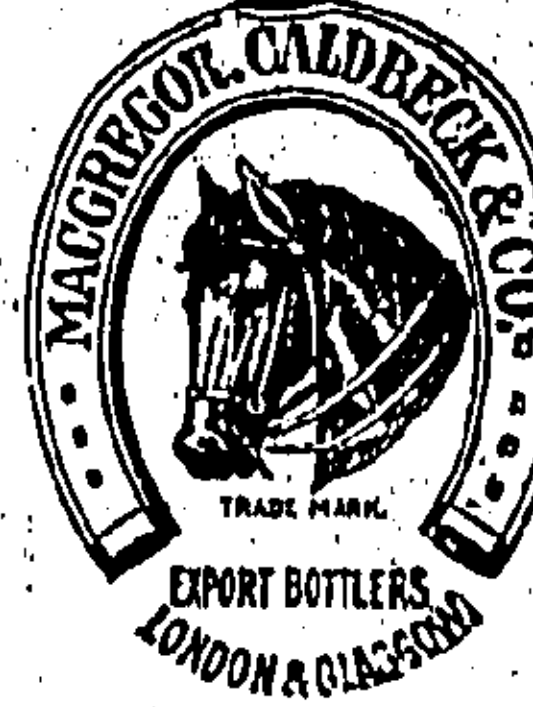
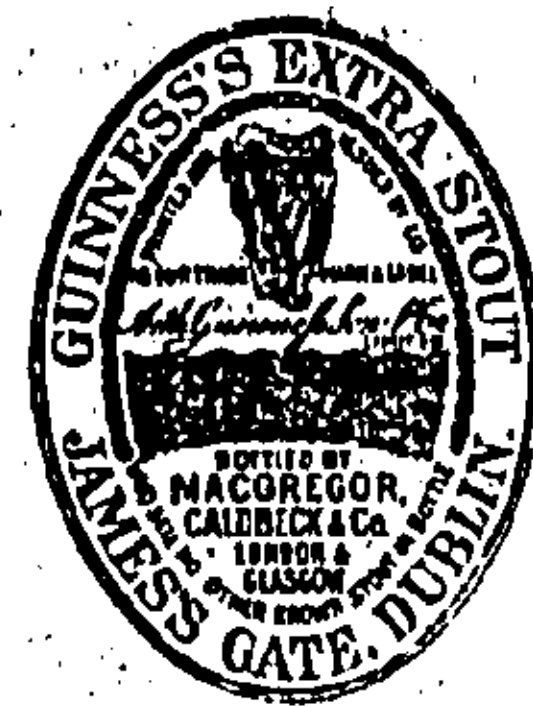
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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

WHAT THEY THINK

China Mail.

England's Greatest Problem.

In language pregnant with thought and characteristic of our distinguished Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith says that "the recurrence of great strikes makes it incumbent upon the Government and the business community to solve the problem." This statement was made in the House of Commons on the 8th inst. On the same occasion, Mr. Lloyd George, laying aside for the nonce his attacks, in "Limelouse" manner, on the Dukes and the muzzo he has created in his Insurance Bill, says: "A searching inquiry by the Government might be necessary." On the evening of the same date, Mr. Asquith, addressing a large and influential assemblage of London bankers again reverted to the greatest of England's problems by asking British bankers "to contribute to the solution of the problem of industrial unrest by suggestion and wise and fruitful experiment." No matter what may be the cause of the frequent recurrence of the trouble, it is certain that a great effort is to be made to prevent the terrible havoc which the ill-guided workers have caused by having too readily followed the lead of the bellicose agitators.

Daily Press.

Mr. Welch's Complaint.

The latest Manila papers are filled by the reproduction of a number of highly interesting documents relating to the findings of the Committee of Investigation which for the past six months has been inquiring into allegations of "extensive graft and rottenness" in the police force of Manila. From a letter written to the Acting Governor-General by Mr. Welch, the Assistant Executive Secretary, we learn that after Captain Harding, Chief of Police, went on leave last year, Captain Green, who took over the duties, reported to him that "there were evidences of serious and wide-spread corruption in the police department," and requested an interview with the Governor-General. He had one or more, and later he saw Mr. Welch again on the subject, when he stated that the subject was so grave that it was preying on his mind to such an extent that his health and mind were giving way under it. "Meanwhile," says Mr. Welch in his letter, "the newspapers were printing sensational though vague rumours of extensive graft and rottenness, with the result that the Press in China had begun to defame the city Government." We are bound to say that we, who are fairly diligent readers of most of the papers published in China, cannot recall this defamations.

South China Morning Post.

The Empire Trade Commission. Because India and the Crown Colonies were not represented—through no fault of their own—at the last Imperial Conference, they have been omitted from the extensive itinerary of the Royal Commission which is about to make an exhaustive inquiry into the trade resources of the British Empire. Surely a grave mistake has been made, for we fail to see that the work of the Commission can be complete if the Indian Empire and the more important possessions of the Crown dotted all over the two hemispheres are not included in the terms of reference. Indeed, the view has already been expressed in influential quarters that they might usefully be included in the tour of the Commission, and though Mr. Harcourt declares that he cannot without notice go beyond the terms of reference, it is not too late even now for Parliament to give effect to the suggestion. The details of the work to be undertaken by the Commission during the three years in which the members are expected to perambulate the self-governing portions of the Empire will not be decided upon until the members meet in London, so that there is still time for some strong joint representation to be made on the subject.

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STORY OF HOME RULE

Forerunners of the Present Bill.

In view of the fact that the Home Rule Bill has passed its second reading, the story of Home Rule here set forth should prove interesting.

The Act of Union between Great Britain and Ireland was passed by Pitt in 1801. It was never fully accepted by the Irish people, and from the beginning they were advised by Grattan, who was, of course, a Protestant, to "keep knocking at the Union." The first open endeavour to obtain independence was Robert Emmet's rebellion in 1803, and this was followed by Daniel O'Connell's agitation for repeal.

The repeal agitation came to nothing, but O'Connell was largely responsible for the passing of Catholic emancipation in 1829 and the abolition of the tithe taxes in 1838.

In our time Irish unrest has been agrarian and economic, as much as, if not more than, political, and this development began with the great famine of 1845, when sufferings of the Irish people were, as Lord George Bentinck and other Tory leaders pointed out, largely aggravated by the hard doctrinism of the Manchester school of Liberalism.

The famine and the literary movement of "young Ireland" led to the rebellion of 1848, the year in which half-Europe was in revolt.

Mr. Butt's Party.
In the fifties there were various Fenian outrages inspired by John Mitchel, and at the election of 1874, a Home Rule party appeared at Westminster under the leadership of Isaac Butt. This party was moderate, largely aristocratic in its membership, and essentially national, Protestants as well as Roman Catholics being prominent in it.

It should be mentioned that the Irish Church was disestablished by Mr. Gladstone in 1869.

In 1878 the Land League was founded by Michael Davitt, and in 1880 Parnell became the leader of the Irish party. It was in February of this year that he made his famous speech at Cincinnati, in which he declared that he would never be satisfied "until we have destroyed the last link which keeps Ireland bound to England," and pledged himself to undermine English power by first destroying Irish landlords.

The Irish party thus became definitely pledged to agrarian reform. It became dependent on the votes of the peasants and on the financial support of the Irish people in America, and the aristocrats who had followed Isaac Butt left it for ever.

Phoenix Park.
Between 1880 and 1886 Mr. Gladstone passed Land Acts and Coercion Bills and imprisoned Irish members. The Phoenix Park murders took place in 1882, and in 1884 there were Fenian outrages in England. In 1885 Mr. Gladstone was converted to Home Rule, and the first Home Rule Bill was introduced into the House of Commons on January 23, 1886.

It enacted that Ireland should be governed by one legislative assembly, containing two orders, who were to sit and to vote together. The first order was to consist of seventy-five elected members and twenty-eight peers, and the second order was to consist of two hundred and four elected members. Irish members were definitely excluded from Westminster.

The introduction of the first Home Rule Bill destroyed the Liberal party. Ninety-three Liberals, including Lord Hartington, afterwards the Duke of Devonshire, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain and Mr. John Bright, voted against it, and on June 7 it was rejected in the House of Commons by a majority of thirty.

In 1887 Mr. Balfour began his famous rule as Chief Secretary for Ireland, and in 1888 the Parnell Commission sat to inquire into the connection between the Irish party and Fenian outrages. This Commission resulted in the discovery of the Pigott forgeries, and a decision, at least partially, in favour of Parnell. Mr. Balfour passed a Light Railways Act in 1890 and a Land Purchase Act in 1891.

In 1890 Mr. Parnell appeared in the O'Shea divorce action, and this led to the split of his party into Parnellites and Anti-Parnellites.

Mr. Gladstone's Bill.
Mr. Gladstone returned to power in 1892, and in 1893 the second Home Rule Bill was introduced into the House of Commons. This sought to constitute an Irish legislature of two houses, the upper house to consist of forty-eight members elected on a limited franchise, and the lower house of 103 members elected by the existing constituencies. It enacted that eighty Irish members should continue to sit at Westminster.

The Bill was passed in the House of Commons, but it was rejected by the House of Lords by 419 votes to forty-one.

The Unionists returned to power in 1895, and in 1896 another Land Act was passed. In 1899 the Irish House of Agriculture was brought into being, and, under the chairmanship of Sir Horace Plunkett, it has done more for the well-being of Ireland than all the politicians of all parties.

Nineteen hundred and one saw the beginning of the effects of Mr. William O'Brien and Lord Dunraven to arrange an alliance between opposing Irish parties, and to arrive at a national settlement which could be nationally acceptable.

In 1903 Mr. George Wyndham's Land Purchase Act was passed, and it would be difficult to exaggerate the immense effect both on the prosperity and the mind of Ireland of this admirable Unionist legislation.

In 1907 Mr. Birrell introduced the Irish Councils Bill into the House of Commons, but it was contemptuously rejected by a national convention in Dublin, and at once dropped by the Government.

It is interesting to remember that the 1886 Home Rule Bill gave the Irish Parliament the right to impose all taxes except Customs and Excise, and enacted that it should pay annually to the British Exchequer a tribute of £1,000,000 and a half million pounds. The 1893 Bill declared that one-third of the taxes raised in Ireland were to be allocated to imperial expenditure, and excluded Customs and Excise from the authority of the Irish Parliament.

TERRORISM IN KASHING.

Perfect Powerless.

Kashing, in common with most of the large cities of China, could well spare some of its excess of soldiers, and while there has been no serious trouble as yet, the large number quartered here and idling round the town are the terror of the citizens and a menace to the peace of the city. The Kashing correspondent of the "Shanghai Times" writes that there have been taken place lately a group of soldiers sitting in a tea shop read in a paper some words that were not flattering to the soldiers and their conduct, so inquiring where the owner of the tea shop bought the paper they went to the shop selling papers and demolished it, although the paper was printed in Shanghai and the poor victim of the outrage had nothing whatever to do with the contents of the paper. Again, last week, another atrocious case of lawlessness occurred.

Abominable Ruffianism.
A young Christian woman, while passing a quiet temple in the city, was seized by two soldiers. She screamed and her two adopted brothers rushed to her rescue, other soldiers came running up and together they dragged one of the brothers to a police station. The Prefect liberated him the following day and said he had the evidence in the case but they feared to prosecute the soldiers and so would have to let the case rest with his release. Later two school girls were assaulted on their way home from school. They likewise screamed, but the soldiers were frightened but it seems they managed to get a set of gold false teeth that one of the girls had. This attack was reported to both the civil and the military officials, and both refused to press the matter. It is to be sincerely hoped that some solution to this idle soldier problem will be soon found.

HERE AND THERE.

A Ferocious Beetle.

Great destruction, involving large financial losses, has been wrought on tea plants in Ceylon by a beetle called the shot-hole borer. The Government entomologist has, however, introduced into the country an antidote in the form of a ferocious species of beetle which has been found in America to be an implacable enemy of pine-boring beetles. It only remains to be seen (says the "University Correspondent") whether this pest-rider will thrive in the tropics; if so, it will be let loose to destroy the boring beetles, which commit ravages on both tea and camphor plants.

Souvenir Hunters and the Maine.
"If I were able to supply, all the requests that have been made to me by my constituents and others for relics of the battleship Maine I could use up half a dozen vessels," remarked Representative Taylor, of Ohio, to a "Washington Post" reporter. "Requests for these relics are so numerous that I fear I shall have to employ an additional clerk to answer my mail. I presume the experience of other members of the House is the same. When I communicated with General Bixby he informed me that he, too, had been deluged with letters and verbal requests for relics. It's a good thing for members, I suppose, that the battleship will be sunk, for otherwise we should never be able to explain that it is impossible to supply everybody who wants to have something to 'remember the Maine.'"

Husbanding Time.
A few years ago it was considered quite exceptional for anyone unconnected with the theatrical or music-hall stage, to call in paint or powder as accessories of the toilette. In fact, the awful words, "She paints," used to be spoken with bated breath, almost as if they were libellous. How things have altered since then! Even "Sweet Seventeen" resort to the powder-puff, for fear of being seen in society with anything approaching to a "shiny" or too healthy-looking complexion. While as to other ladies, there is no longer any pretence that either hair or complexion is anything but borrowed. In fact, so openly is the thing done, that a few days ago (says a writer in the "Gentleman") I saw driving down one of our most fashionable thoroughfares in a motor, a well-known lady who, not to waste any time, was holding a mirror in front of her face while she rouged her lips, powdered her complexion, and flew along to keep a luncheon engagement in another quarter of the town.

Law and the Order of Merit.
The appointment of Sir Joseph Thomson to the Order of Merit, which adds to the number of eminent men of science in the Order, serves to remind us, says the "Law Journal," that the Law has no representative among its nineteen members. Literature and Scholarship are represented by Lord Morley, Sir George Trevelyan, Mr. Thomas Hardy, and Professor Henry Jackson; the Diplomatic Service by Lord Cromer and Mr. James Bryce; Science by Lord Rayleigh, Dr. Alfred Russel Wallace, Sir William Crookes, and Sir Joseph Thomson; Art by Sir Lawrence Alma-Tadema; and Music by Sir Edward Elgar. Mr. Bryce has, no doubt, strong claims to be regarded as a jurist, as well as a diplomat, but it is certainly not on the ground of his legal achievements that he gained his place in this distinguished company. Is there no lawyer with a lifelong record of eminent service in the field of jurisprudence who is worthy of being included in this Order?

Power of Insects.
If asked to name the strongest animals, most persons begin with the largest, the elephant; and continue with oxen, horses, &c. This is, of course, correct in so far as their total horsepower is concerned; but for real strength, proportioned to the size and weight of the animal, one must go to the insect world. Compared with insects, the strength of almost any large animal, and especially of man, is absurd. A man is considered strong, if he can drag a mass weighing three or four times as much as himself, but the beetle will walk with five hundred times his own weight. If a man were placed under a wooden box with five times his weight on top to hold it down, he would remain there indefinitely; but, says the "Animals' Friend," to retain a stag-beetle prisoner in the same way one must pile on top of the box at least eighteen times its weight.

"A Study in Black and White."
Mr. Sinker told the following story recently at the Mansion House. He was one day giving a lesson to his school children at Goolie. He had been talking to them about colours and had explained that white denoted goodness and black sin. Wishing to drive his lesson further home Mr. Sinker, according to the "Church Family Newspaper," said: "Now, children, have you ever noticed the colours of my hood wear in church on Sundays? 'Yes, sir, black and white.' Quite right, and what do those colours signify? After a short pause one small child answered, 'Please, sir, you wear black because you are a sinner and white because you are trying to be good!'"

YUAN'S ORDERS.

In accordance with Article 32 of the Provisional Constitution, the President promulgates the following regulations:

1.—On anything important happening anywhere when warships are required, they should be despatched either by the Minister of the Navy or the Senior or Junior Commander-in-Chief of the naval squadron.

2.—A full report of the trouble which necessitates the presence of warships should be reported to these officials.

3.—The warships will then await instructions from the Commander-in-Chief of the naval squadron in Shanghai who will consider what action to take, and no other local officers may direct a warship.

4.—Warships despatched to any place to maintain order or to suppress trouble must not open fire without orders from the commanders of the warships confer and not according to circumstances. But they must then make a full report to the Ministry of the Navy and the Senior or Junior Commander-in-Chief of the Naval Squadron.

5.—If any uprising occurs at any place, and time does not allow the sending of a report to the Ministry of the Navy and the Senior or Junior Commander-in-Chief of the Naval Squadron, the officials of the port may consider on what measures to take but at the same time to send a report to the Ministry of Navy or the Senior or Junior Commander-in-Chief of the naval squadron, so that they may be informed and may send reinforcements when required.

MANAGER SUNG'S ACCOUNTS.

General Cheng Chi Mei declared last week to "China Press" reporter that Manager Sung Han Chang would not be re-arrested, although the examiners had already disclosed eleven cases of irregularities in the local accounts. His confinement will not be necessary now because all the accounts of the Ta-Ching Bank will be available for examination. The General will organize a special board of examiners to investigate minutely the Shanghai accounts, the Peking accounts and other branch accounts. He will look into the accounts of the bank at Peking when he arrives there.

In the mean while the local accounts are sealed and kept in the Bureau of Foreign Affairs. He is waiting for instructions from Premier Tang Shao-yi.

JAPANESE ART.

Sir Frank Swettenham's Collection for Sale.

Messrs. Sotheby announce the sale of the collection of Japanese colour, surimono, and illustrated books formed by Sir Frank Swettenham. It is very large and important—there are over a thousand lots—and will take seven days to dispose, says the "Singapore Free Press." One of its features is the variety of the artists represented; the catalogue contains the rare names—in almost every case, against a single example—of Fujiwara, pupil of Harunobu; Enshi, who was probably a pupil of Shun-sho; Katsushige, about whom nothing is known; Kiyomasa (signing "Kiyomasa's son"); Sogaku, a pupil of Ikkusentei Yosi, whose name is not recorded in any Japanese bibliography; Tokokyo (who signed "Tokokyo's son"); and one or two others equally rarely met with. All the important masters of the Ukiyoe schools—Kiyonaga, Shuncho, Shunzan, Shunman, Utamaro, for example—are fully represented by rare triptychs and prints in a fine state. It is claimed as one of the chief features of the collection that the examples, especially those of the eighteenth century masters, are in unusually fine condition.

GENERAL CHEUNG.

Farewell Reception at Shanghai.

About 150 members of the Progressive Association of Industry and Commerce tendered on May 4, a farewell meeting to General Cheung Chi Mei who is about to leave for Peking to assume his new office of Minister and Commerce. Many prominent Chinese were present at the function.

The General's Speech.

General Cheung spoke a few words of thanks at the honor thus conferred on him before his departure. As Minister of Industry and Commerce he said he was fully aware of the responsibility incumbent on his shoulders. "China cannot live permanently," he emphasized to the members "on foreign loans. She must need money to finance the government. Mining, commercial and industrial enterprises, should be promoted not only for the financial strength of the country but also for the material welfare of the republic. The people should take initiatives along industrial development. Caution and observation should be their watch-words. My duty will be to devise means for the betterment and assistance to such enterprises which need government cooperation. I hope there will be a harmonious cooperation between the government and the people."

Mr. Ying-Ming-kiang responded in a short speech appreciating the policy of the Minister and urging the necessity of industrial initiatives by private individuals. A Chinese band played some fine selections when refreshments were served.

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THE IRISH PROBLEM.

With the passing of the second reading of the Home Rule Bill by a majority of just over a hundred, but little interest will be manifested in the subsequent proceedings concerning the epoch-making measure in the House of Commons. All eyes will now be turned to the Upper Chamber, for it is there that the real fight will take place. Assisted by its Nationalist-cum-Socialist following, it was only to be expected that the Government would manage to whip up a force sufficiently large to make the second reading absolutely safe. But if the question is looked squarely in the face, without bias or partiality, it will quickly be seen that very little significance attaches to the vote. It so happens that the present Ministry can always command a numerical following in the Lower Chamber on measures of an ultra-revolutionary type. Hence the third Home Rule Bill is assured of a safe journey through the Commons—this altogether apart from its merits or defects. And it is in this light that the figures on the second reading must be contemplated. Even then, it is illuminating to note that there were one or two Liberals who could not conscientiously give their support to the obnoxious Bill, whereas Unionists to a man recorded their vote against it.

The whole point now is whether it can reasonably be contended that the Government has belied it the voice of the country to proceed on its task of disintegration. There is, of course, one very simple method of settling that point—namely, by a Dissolution; but it is far from likely that Mr. Asquith and his Ministers will risk trying the experiment. Certainly this is the only fair course to adopt, for it can scarcely be argued that the present Government ever received a mandate to pass this unsound and involved measure. Indeed, even Liberals themselves were in a state of utter ignorance as to the main points of the Bill up to within a few hours of its introduction. How, then, can it for one moment be said, that the Home Rule Bill of 1912 has its origin in the demand of the people?

There can be no two opinions among true Imperialists as to what the attitude of the House of Lords should be on the Bill. Uncompromising hostility is the only course open. In that event the Bill is a measure dead-born, for even if its sponsors endeavoured to rush it through with the aid of the Parliament Act, we believe there would be such an outcry throughout the length and breadth of the Kingdom that no Prime Minister would dare do otherwise than to eventually take the feeling of the people on the question. And if there is a straight issue on Home Rule, the probability is irresistible that it will be found that there has been no change in the public mind since the days of Gladstone. In some respects, indeed, the new Bill is more objectionable than its predecessors. With its involved financial provisions, its constitutional defects and its worthless "safeguards," it is a by no means satisfactory solution of a big problem. As we saw it tersely expressed by a leading Home newspaper recently, if the Bill ever passes into law Ireland will govern without paying, while England will pay without governing. Could a more one-sided bargain be imagined? We think not.

DAY BY DAY.

Captious people create trouble
for themselves by troubling
others.

Dumped Bodies.

The police report that six dead
bodies have been found in the
open. In several instances death
was due to plague.

Alleged Theft from the Barracks.

Two Indians were charged at
the Police Court, this morning,
with thefts from Kowloon Bar-
racks in December last. They
were remanded.

Tried to get to Australia.

Five stowaways from the s.s.
Tai Yuen were brought before
the Magistrate this morning and
remanded until to-morrow. They
had, it is alleged, endeavoured to
get to Australia.

Alleged Snatching.

At the Police Court, this morn-
ing, a man was remanded on a
charge of snatching a gold mount-
ed bangle from a woman whilst
she was walking along Gage
Street.

Stole a Weather Cock.

At the Police Court, this morn-
ing, a man named Loung Ping
was sentenced to three weeks'
imprisonment for the larceny of a
weather-cock. He said he had
picked it up in Stanley Street.

Opium From Macao.

At the Police Court, this morn-
ing, a Chinese was remanded on
a charge of being in unlawful
possession of fifty tuels of opium
on the 12th inst. He was accus-
ed by a Revenue Officer as he was
leaving the Macao steamer.

Holy Virgin Devotions.

The May devotions are being
continued at the local Catholic
churches and last night a very
large congregation attended Bene-
diction at the Cathedral and list-
ened to the able discourse of the
Rev. Father Chapard. The ser-
mon was preached in Portuguese.

Judge Gale Praises Hongkong.

Judge Gale from the Philippines
who was recently taken seriously
ill and is now on his way home
to the United States, passed
through Hongkong on Saturday,
and commented favourably on the
vast improvements made in the
City since his last visit.

A Stone Thrower.

At the Police Court, this morn-
ing, a street coolie was bound
over to keep the peace for twelve
months. He was charged, with
throwing stones to the danger of
an Indian watchman employed by
Messrs. Ramos and Ramos at their
theatre. Defendant alleged that
the watchman tore his coat.

Vast Quantities of Ammunition.

Of late, offences against the
Arms Ordinance have become
most numerous, and several cases
were dealt with by the local Magis-
trates to-day. In one instance
four men were charged with being
in unlawful possession of arms
and ammunition, and on the ap-
plication of Mr. Davidson, who
appeared for the defence, a re-
mand was granted.According to the statement of
Inspector Grant, the first defend-
ant had two rifles and 350 rounds
of ammunition. The second de-
fendant had one rifle, one pistol,
800 primed shells, 500 cartridges
and 1,250 primers. The third
had in his possession 100 car-
tridges and the fourth, one revolver
and 50 cartridges.

Mines' Output.

The Chinese Engineering and
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Company's three mines for the
week ending April 27 amounted
to 31,280.65 tons and the sales
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How Dare They Do It!

"The stolen goods were taken
back from me after arrest"
(laughter). Thus ran the wail of
a man charged at the Police Court
this morning with stealing a box
containing money, and also steal-
ing some linen from a Chinese
who was a fellow-lodger. Defen-
dant was caught on board of one
of the River steamers.He was ordered to receive
twelve strokes of the birch and
fourteen days' hard labour.HONGKONG'S TENNIS
CHAMPION

A Chat With Mr. H. A. Nisbet.



In the history of lawn tennis
in Hongkong, probably the
advent of no player has aroused
greater interest in the Colony
than that of Mr. H. A. Nisbet,
who worthily holds the cham-
pionship title for 1912. As is
well-known, Mr. Nisbet occupies
the position of Registrar of the
Supreme Court, and as he has
been in the Colony rather less
than a year, the present is his
first tennis season with us. So he
has certainly not taken long to
spring into prominence. But this
is no matter for surprise to those
who know of his past achieve-
ments with the racket, for he
figured prominently in first-class
tennis at home for several years,
and his present form, though of
a high level of excellence, is
nothing in comparison to what it
was a decade or so ago.

Recently a "Telegraph" repre-
sentative called on Mr. Nisbet and
had a brief chat with him about
his achievements on the lawn.
Our representative found Hong-
kong's champion extremely cour-
teous and obliging, though he was
most modest in his references to
his capabilities and took a good
deal of "drawing" before he
would say anything regarding his
past records.

"How long have you been
playing tennis?" was the first
query put.

"Since I was about nine years
of age," smilingly replied Mr.
Nisbet.

Asked if he had had much to
do with first-class tennis, Mr.
Nisbet stated that for five years—
that was from 1896 to 1900—he
took part in first-class matches in
England.

"I used to play for Blackheath
Club," said Mr. Nisbet, "and I
also played for Surrey for several
years. In those days I was al-
ways best in doubles."

What about the Home cham-
pionships? queried our repre-
sentative.

"Well," said Mr. Nisbet, "I
got into the championship round
of the doubles at Wimbledon
four years out of the five, but we
never succeeded in ousting the
holders of the title."

"And the singles—did you
ever do anything in those?"

"I never got further than the
semi-final in the singles," was
the reply.

Our representative next en-
quired from Mr. Nisbet whether
he had ever taken part in inter-
national matches.

"I once went over to America,"
said Mr. Nisbet, "with an English
team of three—not a representa-
tive team—to take part in the
championship matches. That
was in 1897. The team com-
prised Faves, Mahony and my-
self. Faves and I met in the
final, and he won, though he was
beaten in the championship round
by the holder, R. D. Wren."

In further conversation, our
representative learned that in
1901 Mr. Nisbet went to the
South African War, serving in
the Kent and Middlesex Yeomanry
for 15 months. After that, he
joined the Civil Service, but was
one of the many who were "re-
trenched" in 1907. He then got
a post in the Colonial Office and
went out to Grenada, West
Indies, from which place he
came to Hongkong.

Mr. Nisbet informed our re-
presentative that he had but very
little tennis in Africa or the
West Indies; in fact he had not
played serious tennis since 1900.

Asked if he had hopes of ever
getting back to his old form
again, Mr. Nisbet said it would
take a year's solid practice to do
so. The only good practice here
was in the tournaments, which he
must say were carried through
splendidly.

Our representative then touch-
ed the matter of the recent final
with Capt. Day and asked Mr.
Nisbet if he would care to say
anything about it.

Mr. Nisbet replied that it was
certainly a hard tussle, though
of course, there was a big differ-
ence between the tennis of that
match and the championship
standard at home. "In fact,"
he said, "both Day and I would
be at the bottom of a first-class
handicap at home on our
present form."

Mention being made of his
falling-off in the second set of the
match, Mr. Nisbet said one often
struck patches of good and bad
play in tennis. It simply
meant that one man was reviving
and the other temporarily falling
off.

"Day certainly had hard lines
in the last set," remarked Mr.
Nisbet. "The bad light was trou-
bling him greatly, and I had the
advantage in this respect, for my
sight is perfect. Still, it was a
good match, and I thoroughly en-
joyed it."

MR. ROSS AND POLICE
INTERFERENCE.

Chair Coolies Assault a Lukong.

Two chair coolies employed by
Mr. Ross of the P.W.D. were
charged before Mr. Melbourne
this morning with assaulting a
lukong outside the Hongkong
Hotel. From the evidence of the
lukong it transpired that he asked
them to move on as they were
causing obstruction. Defendants
refused to go and they assaulted
him.

Mr. Ross said he would like to
say a word or two on behalf of the
coolies. They were in his employ
and it had been their custom to
wait for himself and his wife in
that particular spot for a long
time. The police had never in-
terfered before, and just about
there, there were usually a
number of policemen of all
nationalities. The lukong told
them to go on the public stand
but he (Mr. Ross) contended that
a private chair had no more right
to go on to a public chair stand
than a brougham had to go on a
cub rank. If it went there it would
appear as though plying for hire.
The coolies naturally resented the
interference of the lukong since
what they had done had never
been objected to by the police
before. He did not know any-
thing about the assault, but
whilst the injury on the lukong's
wrist wanted some finding, one of
his coolies had marks that were
visible on his face. He thought
the coolies did right in waiting
where they did. They had received
instructions from him to wait in
the side channel and they felt that
they were doing right by
doing so. Five times a week,
when his wife came to
town, she ordered the chair to
wait for her at that spot and
never before had the police raised
an objection. He thought their
action was unobjectionable and
unobstructive and he would ask
his Worship to deal leniently with
them.

Inspector O'Sullivan said that
many of the privately employed
coolies would not obey any order
from the police and they were a
source of trouble to the police on
account of their persistent ob-
struction.

Mr. Melbourne said it was a
very serious thing assaulting a
constable though he did not think
they tore the constable's tunic
maliciously. They should have
moved when spoken to. He
would fine them \$5 each for the
assault and order them to pay \$2
each as compensation for the dam-
aged uniform.

HONGKONG MERCHANT
HEAVILY FINED.

Unlawfully Possessed Arms.

At the Police Court this morn-
ing a Chinese merchant named
Fung Tin, of 276 Des Vœux
Road Central, was fined \$200 or
in the alternative three months'
imprisonment for being in unlaw-
ful possession of arms and
ammunition.

According to the statement
made by the police, six rifles,
two pistols, 2,570 cartridges and
two boxes of priming caps were
found in a box on his premises on
Saturday.

The defence was that Fung Tin
was a new-comer to the Colony
from America and he was asked
by people in the interior of
China to purchase these arms for
them in consequence of the
unsettled nature of the country.
They wanted them for protection.

Mr. Irving: But there is a
great quantity.

The Police Inspector: I ask
for the full penalty to be inflicted
in view of the quantity.

Mr. Irving agreed that the
offence was a very serious one
and passed the sentence men-
tioned.

CHINESE FINDS GAS
LEAKAGE.

The Man and the Match.

A Chinese in Hollywood Road
sought a leakage of gas with a
match this morning and found it
rather sooner than he expected.
Fortunately he was not seriously
burnt. The fire brigade was cal-
led out but a fire had been averted
by another Chinese having the
presence of mind to cut the gas
off at the main.

NOTES AND
COMMENTS.

A Narrow Victory.

A baby girl has been born in
Pennsylvania which tips the scales
at eighteen pounds. This is not
the only surprising thing about
the babe, for when it showed the
first signs of distress and cried
during the morning, a nurse
in attendance discovered that the
baby had a tooth. We have in
mind a recent Hongkong resident
whose weight was seventeen
pounds at birth. The babe above
mentioned scores by one pound
and one tooth.

Moderation in all things.

A correspondent writes:—A
quaint scene was witnessed in
one of the side streets turning off
Queen's Road the other night,
when the narrow channel, that
runs down the middle of the
thoroughfare, was outlined with
burning joss-candles conveying
an unwanted brilliancy in a lane
which, ordinary circumstances,
is plain and dingy. At one end a
woman was burning joss paper,
and here and there odd persons
seemed to be keeping up a little
celebration entirely on their own.
Enquiry as to the reasons for this
illumination elicited explanations.
One said that it was a thanks-
giving display for the recovery of
a man who had been very ill; and
the other was that it was an
offering to ensure the welfare of
a man who had just been
stricken. The display had its
drawbacks. If indeed it was on
account of a man who had
recovered, the smother was
sufficient to bring about a relapse;
and if it was to bring about a
recovery in the patient, the prayer
was like enough to ensure its own
negation, and we have come to
the conclusion that the Chinese
in the slums of Hongkong would
do well to remember that there
should be moderation in all
things—even in jossing.

Nasty Kowloon.

It seems that not alone in smell
is Kowloon challenging Hong-
kong, for our attention has now
been directed to the nuisance of
street noises which is becoming
more pronounced on the peninsula.
The main thoroughfare of Kow-
loon is extending as a residential
quarter for Europeans, but the
peace and quiet of all and sundry
are sadly disturbed through the
raucous cries of loud-mouthed
street hawkers. Residents argue
that they do not so much object
to the vendors passing through
the street and occasionally crying
their wares, but when some of
those individuals with none too
musical voices take up their
stand at a given point regularly
every day and bellow hour in and
hour out, the thing becomes a
trifle annoying. The police, ap-
parently, take no notice of the
matter. It's high time the "Move
on" method were given a trial.

Liberal Papers End.

So the old "Morning Leader"
has been swallowed up by the
"Daily News." There goes one
more London paper which had a
distinct personality. It was not in
many ways an attractive per-
sonality, but it was pronounced.
Of late years it has been noted
mainly for its sporting page,
which was cleverly written, and
for articles by Mr. William Archer
and the ineffable Mr. James
Douglas. The last-named will
be remembered mainly through
his Watts-Dunton volume—the
most superb piece of sycophancy
ever inflicted upon the British
literary public. The news con-
cerning the "Morning Leader"
proves once again that the
Liberals find it extremely difficult
to run a paper successfully in
London, even when the party is
in power.

Coolies for Manchuria.

The Tientsin paper states that
7,100 coolies arrived by the Chan-
tung Railway during the period
from the 8th to 15th April and
that 7,120 left there bound for
Chafoo, Newchwang and Vlad-
vostok, to work on the Manch-
urian railways in Manchuria.

THE LI FAMILY AND LITIGATION.

AN AGREEMENT WITH FIFTY-ONE SEQUELS.

"A Fair Amount of Perjury."

This morning at the Supreme Court, before the Chief Justice, Mr. W. Ross Davies K.O., some interesting facts were given in the longly case arising out of the affairs of the Li family and of the Yik Lung Bank. To-day was the commencement of the third week during which the case has gone on, and all that remains to be heard are the speeches by counsel on both sides.

Mr. W. V. Drummond and Mr. G. G. Alabaster instructed by Mr. J. Scott Harston appeared for the defence, while Mr. Eldon Porter instructed by Mr. F. Harding appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. Drummond said that he had little doubt that his Lordship was glad that they had arrived at the ultimate stage of that extraordinarily long and exhaustive enquiry, and it only remained for him to sum up the defendant's case, and to place it as clearly as he could before him. Before entering into any detail in the case, there was one aspect which was so important, and which went to the root of the matter, that he felt bound to bring it before his Lordship's notice at the earliest stage, and as clearly as he could. It was an extraordinary case in one sense. It might be said that it was an ordinary case; a simple case for a sum of money—\$51,000. It was not a very large sum, but when they added the expenses to that it came to something like \$100,000.

His Lordship:—Seventy-old thousand.

Mr. Drummond replied that when all costs were added the amount would be practically a lac of dollars.

Fifty-two Cases.

Continuing he said:—We have in evidence that there has been no less than fifty-two cases in the courts. That is, forty-one in original jurisdiction of the Supreme Court and eleven in the original jurisdiction of the Summary Court. All these cases have been more or less closely connected with the Li family, and have taken place in recent years, and have occupied, nearly all, a very large amount of the time and attention of the judges of the colony. All these cases have taken place since the famous meeting in 1905, an incident, which has, therefore, given rise to an enormous mass of litigation. I think it may be safely said that the appetite of the Li family, and of their connections, and those surrounding them, has fed upon what it has grown—litigation in this case—and I submit that there are other consequences that arise out of that. Otherwise I would not trouble Your Lordship with them. The Li family we know has consisted of wealthy men and some of its members have thrown about large sums of money in a somewhat reckless way. The litigation that has gone on to such an enormous extent must have had one effect besides others. There must be a number of persons, possibly more or less hangers on of this great wealthy family, who have obtained vast experience, both as regards the affairs of the Li family and as regards the procedure that has to be followed in carrying a case successfully through in this court. That is an item which I consider ought not to be overlooked. Then we have another fact: the two defendants are admittedly wealthy men. The first defendant shows from his evidence that he is worth at least a million dollars. The second defendant was too ill to give evidence but he is also I think a very wealthy man.

A Mark for Cupidity

The great wealth of these two members of the Li family, will, I maintain, be a mark for cupidity and I think that when the ultimate examination of all the circumstances arising out of the case comes to be taken in cool, careful, and impartial consideration it will be found that the case is one which presents in its features some very unwholesome ingredients. It is my contention

that there has been wholesale and rank perjury in the case.

His Lordship:—On one side only?

It is my contention that it has been on the side only.

I am inclined to think that there has been a fair amount on both sides.

That is for Your Lordship to judge when reviewing the whole of the evidence. My contention is that there has been rank perjury on the part of plaintiff's witnesses and I shall give details of who I think committed it, and how, and why, it was done. The consequence of my contention on the point is that the case presented for the plaintiff has been manufactured and is not an honest claim, and that we are therefore entitled to Your Lordship's judgement. I think the case will have, and should have, a sequel, which will, I think, tend to check the stream of litigation in connection with this property.

Mr. Drummond then proceeded to deal with the evidence at considerable length.

The case was proceeding when we went to press.

THIEF'S REMARKABLE CONFIDENCE.

A Scheme That Failed.

For stealing a barrel valued at \$6 a man was sentenced to one month with hard labour at the Police Court, this morning.

The theft was most audacious. He engaged two coolies to carry the barrel for him and sent them into the shop to obtain it. This, the coolies did, and ere they had got very far they were accused of stealing the barrel. The coolies pointed to defendant who was some distance in the rear and they explained that he had engaged them to take it to Wanchai. Defendant then ran away, but he was caught and placed under arrest.

CANTON NEWS.

(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.)

Opium Matters.

Canton, May 11.

Vice-President Li Yuan-hong has telegraphed to President Yuan, the Cabinet and the various Governors (General regretting the continued existence of opium-smoking and pointing out that the only way to cope with the matter successfully is to prohibit the importation of that drug and to forbid the growing of the poppy in China. Through the latter suggestion has been carried out, it is impossible to stop the importation of opium because the opium agreement made with Great Britain has not been revived and he is of the opinion that this neglect should at once be remedied. Li quotes the Governor-General of Anhwei who considers the total suppression as most difficult of execution and asks the President to take immediate steps to stamp out the use of the drug.

Motor Buses for Canton.

A merchant in Canton is contemplating the institution of a service of motor-buses along the bund, in Canton, dividing the distance into four five-cent stations. In asking for permission to start running, the capitalist offers to pay the government \$800 per annum in addition to a sum of \$200 to be paid towards the upkeep of the surface of the road. The application is at present receiving the attention of the government.

A Fine Opportunity.

On Friday last, Chinese Christians from the various missionary societies entertained Dr. Sun Yat-sen at the chapel of the Po Chai Hospital. At the conclusion of a short service Dr. Sun addressed those present and pointed out that now the republic was established the Chinese Christians had a fine opportunity to continue their teachings and thereby enable the people to enjoy the blessings of God.

Presentation to Dr. Sun.

On the same day the Medical Society held a reception in Dr. Sun's honour at the offices of the Health Department, when he was elected Honorary President of the Society. Dr. Sun accepted the honour and was presented with an interesting memento of the occasion.

CHINESE MERCHANT AND MISSING OPIUM.

\$5,000 Worth to be Accounted for.

At the Police Court this afternoon, a Chinese salesman named Yip Hang Pat, of Fu Kien, carrying on business at 25 Hillier Street, Hongkong, was charged with unlawfully being deficient of two cases of Persian opium contrary to the provisions of section 20 of Ordinance 23, of 1900 and for unlawfully giving false particulars when making an application for removal of six cases of Persian opium contrary to section 87 of ordinance 23, 1900.

Mr. Hodgson (Assistant Crown Solicitor) appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Davidson defended.

Mr. Melbourne in the absence of Mr. Irving, took the case, and said he was prepared to go on if the parties concerned were.

Mr. Davidson, said:—I ask for a remand and the object of my asking for a remand is, we are instructing counsel in this case and Mr. Irving will not be able to attend to-day nor to-morrow afternoon but probably will on Wednesday. We had better have a later date fixed.

Mr. Melbourne: Then it must go over until next week.

Mr. Hodgson: I do not object. Mr. Melbourne: I can remand it until Tuesday week, the 21st. Your man is out on bail.

Mr. Davidson: Thank you. Will your Worship reduce the bail?

Mr. Melbourne: Well, you see, this is Mr. Irving's case and I know nothing about it.

Mr. Davidson:—Well there is a considerable quantity of opium in the hands of the police which is ample security. You have opium worth four or five thousand dollars.

Mr. Hodgson:—We had a long argument over that before and no less than \$1,000 was asked.

Mr. Davidson:—I won't press the point.

Mr. Melbourne:—Bail had better remain as before.

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

Lawn Tennis Tournament.

Great progress has been made in the above tournament. The several events stand as follows up to date:

Championship:—Messrs. Fittock and Blackburn to play off the winner to play Mr. MacAskill in the semi-final. Capt. Clarke has entered the final.

Singles Handicap A Class:—Semi-finals. Mr. Abraham (ows 4-0) plays Capt. Clark (Scr.). Mr. Green (ows 4-0) plays Mr. MacAskill (ows 15-2). The former tie will be played Tues. 14th.

Singles Handicap B Class:—Mr. Stevens (ows 15) and Mr. Mead (ows 30) meet in the final on Sat. 18th inst. Singles Handicap C Class:—Semi-finals, Mr. House (Scr.) plays Mr. Heerman (ows 15). Mr. Sutton (Scr.) plays Mr. Fyfe (ows 15-3).

Doubles Championship:—Messrs. Wolf and Taylor play D. Forsyth and Lieut. Thompson on Wednesday 15th, the winning pair meet Messrs. Green and Abraham in the final.

Professional Pairs:—Messrs. MacAskill and Fittock will play Messrs. Rose and Eggers on Wednesday 15, the winning pair to play Messrs. Wolf and Taylor in the semi-final. Lieut. Thompson and Williams have entered the final.

Doubles Handicap:—Lieut. Thompson and Dr. Forsyth (Scr.) play Messrs. Eggers and Brown (ows 15) on Tuesday 14th, the winning pair meet Messrs. Wolf and Taylor (ows 4-0) in the semi-final. The other two pairs in the semi-final, are Messrs. Green and Abraham (ows 4-0) and Messrs. Purcell and May (ows 2-0) who meet on Wednesday 15th inst.

Mixed Doubles:—Mr. and Mrs. Fittock (ows 15-3) meet Mr. and Mrs. Green (ows 30) in the final.

THE SITUATION UP NORTH.

Prominent Journalist says Northerners await a New King.

Among the visitors who arrived in Hongkong yesterday in the s.s. Inaba Maru was Mr. Earl Hamilton Smith, city editor of "The Cable-news American," Manila, who spent some time in Peking and Tientsin during the more exciting stages of the rebellion. Mr. Smith was able to leave Manila in the U.S. transport Warren, with the 15th Infantry, under Lieut.-Col. Root and went direct to Taku, whence he went to Tientsin, spending two months between that city and Peking. Now that things are assuming a quieter aspect he has been able to return to Manila and leaves Hongkong on Tuesday to take up his position at the editorial desk.

Mr. Smith was good enough, yesterday, to impart some of his impressions to a "Telegraph" representative, and one of the first things he remarked on was the fact that quite nine-tenths of the Chinese in the North still adhered to the queue. As they came south the proportions altered till in Kwangtung a Chinese with a queue was a rarity. This tended to show that there was not that unity of feeling between the Northern and Southern Chinese as would at first appear. "There is," he said, "as impassable a breach between the two as there was once between the Northern and Southern states of America."

A Thrilling Experience.

The American troops had a thrilling experience just after the looting commenced in Peking. On March 1 while they were still at Tientsin they received a message from Minister Calhoun at Peking stating that the capital was being burned and that they were in urgent need of troops. The message was received at 10.30 p.m. and by midnight, or in one and a half hours, Major Arras Smith had three hundred men on board a train with a machine gun, platoon, tents, waggon, and enough provisions for a month. They delayed starting for a while in order to time their arrival at Fengtai at daylight, and when they got there, they found 3,500 men under General Chang drawn up to the left of the railroad, while five machine guns were placed on the bridge directly over the track, threatening to fire if the American troops endeavoured to get through to Peking. There were some Inniskillings deployed near by, but not sufficient of them to be of any real help.

The Chinese engineers had decamped, but fortunately two men from the troops had once been engineers and their services were speedily requisitioned. A box car was put on in front of the train and the machine gun platoon were there accommodated. The regimental colours and the U.S. flag were hoisted there and the train moved ahead and won through, the Chinese not daring to fire. They eventually arrived at Peking and found everything all quiet.

Awaiting a New King.

"What do you think of the possibilities of a reactionary rising?" queried our representative.

Mr. Smith paused for a considerable while and then replied: "The people in the North look upon the republic as an interregnum, merely to control the affairs of China pending the coming of a new king."

"Have they any idea where he is coming from?"

"They are not sure of that, but the general opinion seems to be that it will be either from the descendants of the old Ming dynasty, or perhaps a descendant from Confucius."

"Then what do they think of the republic in the north?"

"Well there is no demand for the Manchus again and on the other hand no demand for a republic. They will demand a king sooner or later. Such opinion as there is about the matter in North China—and they are very slow of thought—is rather adverse to a republic, especially on account of the strong predominance of Cantonese among the officials."

"Do you think there is any likelihood of a permanent peace being established now?"

"That all depends on whether the government can get money to pay all the troops."

The Money Difficulty.

"Then the money difficulty is very acute?"

"Extremely so; at Peking, when I was there, there were 7,000 Chinese troops, and 5,000 municipal police armed with rifles, who had not been paid for nearly three months. There is naturally great discontent; everything hinges on the foreign loan."

"And what is the opinion up north as to the eventual result of the negotiations for the loan? You know that they were broken off and Tang Shao-yi had to reopen them."

"Yes, the opinion is that the group, now extended to a six power syndicate by the inclusion of Russia and Japan, will eventually win out. Tang has lost face so badly that he will have to resign sooner or later."

"Did you hear anything in the north of the Chinese rumour that Great Britain had offered to recognise the Republic conditional upon the cession of additional land adjoining the New Territory?"

"No! you would be more likely to hear of that down here."

"I suppose things are quiet now in Peking?"

"Yes, but there are three thousand Legion guards of all nations there, and ten thousand foreign troops on the railway from Fengtai to the sea and then to the Great Wall at Shan-hai-kwan; altogether 13,000 troops. There are five thousand troops in Tientsin, and Chinese troops are not allowed within 20 lie, or six English miles, of the city."

Impressions of Yuan.

Asked as to his interview with Yuan Shih-kai, Mr. Smith smilingly declined to tell what the President had said—as he wanted that himself—but gave an interesting description of his impressions of the man.

"Yuan impressed me," he said, "as a strong man. He is of medium height, and a heavy set figure, and, when I saw him, he was wearing uniform. On a casual glance he would pass for a foreigner, say a Mexican or a Spaniard who had lived a long time in the tropics and had got a bit yellow. His eyes are round and set well apart, his forehead is big and his features heavy. He impressed me as a strong man and his strength lies in the fact that, quite unlike many Chinese, he has the power of decision. He reminded me somewhat of Ex-President Diaz of Mexico."

Two of Yuan's supporters also came up for remark by Mr. Smith. One was Alfred Sze, Minister for Posts and Communications, and W. W. Yan, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

The former is of no particular religion, though friendly to Christians, while the latter is a Chinese Christian. Mr. Smith remarked that the Christian influence was very strong in the Republic.

Before leaving the subject of Peking, Mr. Smith pointed out that, while everything was quiet in the capital, guards were being maintained day and night at the Legations and no Chinese are allowed to enter the Legation quarter without a permit, while at Tientsin and along the railroad the troops maintain a daily patrol. Of the allied forces, of whom the senior officer is a Japanese, Major-General Abe, the British rank first numerically with 2,600, the Japanese second, with 2,200 and the Americans third with 1,700.

The following is the return of visitors to the City Hall library and museum for the week ending May 12.

	Library.	Museum.
Non-Chinese ...	443	152
Chinese ...	181	3,060
Total ...	624	3,212

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Hongkong, 9th May, 1912

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COMPANY'S.
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.
"EMPEROR LINE."

Sailings from Hongkong and Quebec.

"Monteagle" ...	Satur. June 1	"F. of Britain" ...	Fri. June 7
"E. of India" ...	June 22	"Allan Line" ...	June 28
"E. of Japan" ...	July 18	"Allan Line" ...	July 19

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To Vancouver, B.C., calling at Shanghai, Nagasaki (through the Inland Sea of Japan), Kobe, Yokohama and Victoria, B.C.
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INDO-CHINA STEAM
NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For	Steamship	On
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	Saturday, 18th May, Noon.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Saturday, 19th May, 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	FOOKSANG	Sunday, 19th May, 11 light.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Sunday, 19th May, 11 light.
TIENSIN	CHEONGSHING	Thursday, 23rd May, Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Saturday, 25th May, 2 p.m.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN (Occupying 34 days).

The steamers "Kutsang," "Yuensang" and "Fooksang" leave about every 8 weeks for Shanghai and returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin, via Chingwangtao.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LD. Telephone No. 215.

Hongkong, 11th May 1912

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"SHIRE" LINE OF
STEAMERS, LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For	Steamship	DATE OF DEPARTURE
LONDON ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	FLINTSHIRE	About 19th May.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MONMOUTHSHIRE	1st June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	DENBIGHSHIRE	15th June.

These steamers have superior accommodation for a limited number of First Class Passengers. Cabins are situated amidships, and are fitted with electric light and fans. Attention is particularly directed to the moderate fares charged.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1912.

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HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO,
AND
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

Joint Service of
THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,
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HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

HONGKONG TO CANTON CANTON TO HONGKONG

MONDAY, 19th MAY.

10.00 p.m. "KINSHAN." 5.00 p.m. "PATSHAN."
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S.S. "SUI TAI" Tons 1651. S.S. "SUI AN" Tons 1651

HONGKONG TO MACAO.

Week days at 8 a.m. & 2 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. Sunday at 9 a.m. & 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

MAOAO TO HONGKONG.

Week days at 7.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sundays, at 7.30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 19th MAY.

The Company's Steamship, "SUI AN."

All depart from the Company's WING LOK WHARF at 9 a.m. Departure from Macao at 5 p.m.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 a.m. and from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m., from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

This steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 5 p.m.

FARES AS USUAL.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. HOI-SANG, 457 Tons.

Departures from Macao to Canton on Mon., Wednes., & Fri., at 9 p.m. Departures from Canton to Macao on Tues., Thurs., & Satur., at 4.30 p.m.

JOINT SERVICE OF
HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

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S.S. "SAINAM," 553 Tons, and "NANNING," 553 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct steamers "LINTAN" and "SANUI." These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are fitted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

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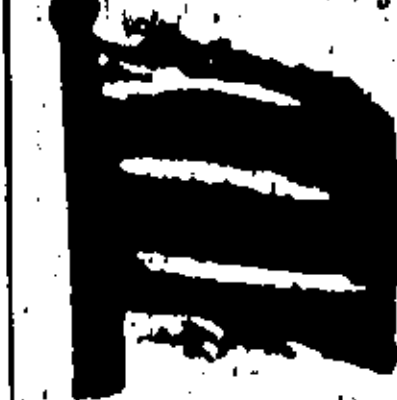
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(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
MARSHALL ISLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ & PORT SAID	MIYASAKI MARU, Capt. T. Mura, T. 9,000 KITANO MARU, Capt. F. E. Coje, T. 9,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd May, at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 6th June, at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, B.O. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA	SINABA MARU, Capt. S. Tomimaga, T. 7,000 SKAMAKURA MARU, Capt. K. Asakawa, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 21st May, at 4 p.m. TUESDAY, 4th June, at 4 p.m.
YOKOHAMA & MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU, Capt. Yagi, T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 7th June, at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, T. 9,000 TANGO MARU, Capt. K. Kawa, T. 8,000 MIKE MARU, Capt. —, T. 4,000	THURSDAY, 28th May, at Noon. THURSDAY, 6th June, at Noon. MONDAY, 20th May, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. —, T. 5,000 WAKASA MARU, Capt. N. Nishida, T. 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd May, at Noon. WEDNESDAY, 6th June, at Noon.
BOMBAY, SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	KAWAKURA MARU, Capt. A. Christensen, T. 7,000 N'SAKI, KOBE & KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, T. 6,000 YOKOHAMA, Capt. M. Winkler, T. 6,000	MONDAY, 27th May, at Noon. WEDNESDAY, 6th June, at Noon.

"YOKOHAMA MARU" which will sail from Kobe for Seattle on or about 1st June, calling at Keelung.

REDUCED SUMMER RATES BETWEEN HONGKONG AND JAPAN PORTS.

Commencing 1st June, ending 30th September, 1912

SPECIAL EXCURSION TICKETS (1st & 2nd class) available for 3 months			
YOKOHAMA Return.	KOBE Return.	MOJI Return.	NAGASAKI Return.
1st class \$135	\$122	\$108	\$95
2nd class \$81	\$75	\$65	\$57

With option of Rail between Steamers' Calling ports in Japan.

For Further Information as to Freight, Sailing, &c., apply to T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

CALCUTTA LINE.

Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, RAN, GOON & CALCUTTA	ICEYLON MARU, Capt. Y. Tozawa, T. 6,000	SATURDAY, 18th May.

1912 PASSENGER SEASON 1912

FOR EUROPE.			
Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
MIYASAKI MARU	9,000	T. Mura	May 22nd.
KITANO MARU	9,000	F. E. Coje	June 5th.
IYO MARU	7,000	R. Takeda	June 19th.
FOR SEATTLE.			
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomimaga	May 21st.
KAMAKURA MARU	7,000	K. Koda	June 4th.
TAMBA MARU	7,000	S. Wada	June 18th.

From Hongkong direct to Nagasaki 4 days, to Kobe 5 days and to Yokohama 6 days.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailing, &c., apply to the Company's Local Branch Office in Irvine's Buildings, First Floor, Chater Road.

T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

CHINA NAVIGATION
CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers.	To Sail.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	11th May M'night.
HAIPHONG	"SUNGKIANG"	12th May 9 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	14th May 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA & AUSTRALIAN PORTS	"TAIYUAN"	15th May Noon.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	16th May 4 p.m.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	18th May 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	18th May M'night.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"TAMING"	21st May 4 p.m.

DIRECT SAILING TO WEST RIVER, TWICE WEEKLY.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUI."

IN CONJUNCTION WITH AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE.

MANI A. THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, OAKS, TOWNVILLE, "OUTHRIE"

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N.B.—Passenger must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailings. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.

These steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transshipment at Woosung.

Reduced Fares:—Single \$45, Return \$75.

For Freight or Passage apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

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Taking Cargo at Through rates to all European North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste, Lisbon, Oporto, Genoa, and other Mediterranean, Levantine, Black Baltic Sea and Ports, and all North and South American Ports.

Next Sailings from Hongkong:

OUTWARD.

For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama:

S.S. ALESIA

20th May.

SEGOVIA

6th June.

SILESIA

20th June.

FURSTBULOW

27th June.

HOMEWARD.

For Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp:

S.S. ARCADIA

27th May.

For Marseilles, Havre & Hamburg:

S.S. ITHONIA

30th May.

For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg:

S.S. SCANDIA

5th June.

For Marseilles, Hamburg & Antwerp:

S.S. ANDALUSIA

13th June.

For Further Particulars, apply to—

Hamburg-Amerika Linie,

Hongkong Office. [12]

HONGKONG—
PHILIPPINES.

PHILIPPINES
STEAMSHIP CO

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
RUBI	4000	S. A. Crosby.	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	MONDAY, 20th May, 4 p.m.
ZAFIRO	4000	M. O. Smith.	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	THURSDAY, 30th May, 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,

GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong 11th May, 1912.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN
LIJN.

Regular fortnightly Service between

JAVA, CHINA and JAPAN.

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
Tjimanok	JAPAN	1st half May	JAVA	2nd half May
Tjipanas	JAVA	1st half May	JAPAN	2nd half May
Tjikini	JAVA	2nd half May	SHANGHAI	2nd half May
Tjimahi	SHANGHAI	2nd half May	JAVA	2nd half May
Tjitaroom	JAVA	1st half June	JAPAN	1st half June
Tjibodas	JAVA	1st half June	SHANGHAI	1st half June
Tjilivong	JAVA	1st half June	JAPAN	2nd half June
Tjilatjap	JAVA	2nd half June	SHANGHAI	1st half July

The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light, and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon passengers, and will take cargo to all Ports in Netherlands-India on through B/L.

For particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN,

Telephone No. 375

York Building.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA

Imperial Japanese Trans-Pacific Mail Line.

SAN FRANCISCO LINE

Connecting with the Western Pacific Railway at San Francisco to all points in the United States and Canada and with Trans-Atlantic Lines to Europe.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration.)

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	11,000	A. G. Stevens	May 28th, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru"	21,000	E. Bent	June 4th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	21,000	H. B. Smith	June 25th, Noon.

These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screw. All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office.

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

The triple screw steamer "Nippon Maru" will be despatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, SHIMIZU, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 27th May, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

(In connection with the National Railway of Mexico at Manzanillo and the Tehuantepec National Railway at Salina Cruz.)

Only Regular Direct Service to Mexican, Chilean and Peruvian Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to alteration.)

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
Hongkong Maru	11,000	Friday, June 7, Noon
Kiyo Maru	17,000	Saturday, Aug. 6, Noon.
Buyo Maru	10,000	Friday, October 4, Noon.

For Further Particulars as to Freight and Passage, apply to—

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THOS. COOK & SON,

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SHANGHAI: 2-5, Fochow Road. YOKOHAMA: 22, Water Street.

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LOG BOOK.

The "Titanic's" Millionaires.

Among the many wealthy people aboard the Titanic were the following millionaires:—

Col. John Jacob Astor, \$30,000,000.

Mr. Isidor Straus, \$10,000,000.

Mr. Alfred Vanderbilt, \$15,000,000.

Mr. George D. Widener, \$10,000,000.

Mr. Benjamin Guggenheim, \$10,000,000.

Col. Washington Roebling, \$5,000,000.

Mr. J. B. Thayer, \$2,000,000.

Total, \$91,000,000.

A prominent New York banker told a press correspondent that he knew twenty persons aboard who between them were worth easily \$100,000,000, to say nothing of the increases due to the rising stock market here, of which the above list takes no account.

Astraea Daily Maillet.

From the following we gather that the "Daily Mail" Overseas Club has adherents even among the tars of the China Station.

"H.M.S. Astraea, Shanghai, China.

We have great pleasure in writing to report that we have formed a branch of the Club on board this ship and have named it the Astraeon Branch. We have also elected a committee and a president, treasurer, secretary, and assistant secretary. We have sixty-two members.

We have written to the Challenger in Australia, and are hoping to receive their answer shortly. There are also a large number of members on H.M.S. Monmouth.—S. W. Mullen, President; H. J. White, Treasurer; J. Currie, Secretary; G. W. Wright, Assistant Secretary.

VESSELS LOADING.

European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight	To be
		Apply To.	Despatched.
London, Rotterdam & Antwerp	Flintshire	J. M. & Co.	10 May
London and Antwerp	Deunghshire	J. M. & Co.	15 June
Mauritius (direct)	Pheumport	Wing Fat & Co	13 May
Marseilles, &c., via Saigon	Yarra	M. M. Co.	21 May
Marseilles, Hamburg and Antwerp	Andalusia	H. A. L.	13 June
Marseilles, Havre and Hamburg	Schonia	H. A. L.	30 May
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg	Sandila	H. A. L.	7 June
Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp	Arcadia	H. A. L.	31 May
Marseilles, &c., via Suez Canal	Miyazaki Maru	N. Y. K.	22 May, d'light
do do do	Kitano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June, d'light
Trieste via Singapore, &c.	Bohemia	S. W. & Co.	19 May
do do do	E. F. Ferdinand	S. W. & Co.	1 June
do do do	Africa	S. W. & Co.	19 June
Bremen, Naples, Genoa &c.	Prinz Ludwig	N. D. L.	15 May

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

New York	Matoppe	Bunk Lino	15 May
do	Muncaster Castle	D. & Co.	25 May
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan	Mongolia	P. M. Co.	21 May
do do do	Nile	P. M. Co.	14 May, 1 p.m.
do do do	Chiyo Maru	T. K. K.	23 July
do do do	Persia	P. M. Co.	11 June, 1 p.m.
Seattle via Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Minnesota	N. Y. K.	5 August
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan &c.	Nippon Maru	T. K. K.	28 May
do do do	Tonyo Maru	T. K. K.	4 June
do do do	Shinyo Maru	T. K. K.	25 June
Mexico, Peru, Chili via Japan	H'kong Maru	T. K. K.	7 June, Noon
do do do	Seattle Maru	O. S. K.	14 May
do do do	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	6 August
Victoria & Tacoma via Shanghai & Japan	Buyo Maru	T. K. K.	4 October
do do do	Mexico Maru	O. S. K.	28 May
do do do	Cunaca Maru	O. K. S.	26 June
Victoria and Seattle via Japan	Kamakura Maru	N. Y. K.	4 June
do do do	Inaba Maru	N. Y. K.	21 May, 1 p.m.
do do do	Chicogo Maru	O. S. K.	13 June
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Tacoma Maru	O. S. K.	11 July, 1 p.m.
do do do	Montangle	C. P. R. Co.	1 June
do do do	Empress of India	C. P. R. Co.	22 June

Australia.

Australian Ports via Manila	Coblenz	M. & Co.	18 May
do do do	Taiyuan	B. & S.	14 May
do do do	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	7 June
Australian Ports via Timor	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 July
do do do	Eastern	G. L. & Co.	25 May

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Singapore, Penang and Rangoon	...	Fazilka	J. M. & Co....	28 May
do do do	...	Fultala	J. M. & Co....	14 May
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	...	Caylon Maru	N. Y. K.	18 May
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	...	Kipin Maru	N. Y. K.	1 June
do do do	...	Kutsang	J. M. & Co....	18 May
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay	...	Suisang	D. S. & Co....	14 May 1 p.m.
do do do	...	Kawachi Maru	N. Y. K.	27 May
Java, etc.	...	Bombay Maru...	N. Y. K.	10 June
do do do	...	Tjimanook	J. C. J. L.	F. half May
do do do	...	Tjimali	J. C. J. L.	S. half May
do do do	...	Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	S. half June
do do do	...	Tjipanas	J. C. J. L.	S. half May
do do do	...	Tjitaroom	J. C. J. L.	F. half June
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	...	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June
Kudat and Sandakan	...	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle of May
Kobe and Yokohama...	...	Hirano Maru	N. N. K.	23 May
do do do	...	P. Sigismund	N. P. L.	28 May
do do do	...	Tango Maru	N. Y. K.	6 June
Kobe and Moji	...	Arratoon Apoor	D. S. Co.	14 May
Yokohama and Kobe	...	Itola	J. M. & Co.	17 May
do do do	...	Muttra	J. M. & Co.	1 June
Weihaeiwei	...	Huichow	B. & S.	18 May
Anping via Swatow and Amoy	...	Sosho Maru	O. S. K.	15 May
Tientsin	...	Cheongshing	J. M. & Co.	23 May, Noon
Manila	...	Yuansang	J. M. & Co.	18 May
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	...	Kaifong	B. & S.	14 May
do do do	...	Taming	B. & S.	21 May
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	...	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	20 May
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	...	Colombo Maru.	N. Y. K.	22 May
do do do	...	Milko Maru	N. Y. K.	20 May
do do do	...	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	...	Roosang	J. M. & Co.	19 May
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	...	Goeben	N. D. L.	16 May
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	...	Monmouthshire.	J. M. & Co.	1 June
do do do	...	Alesia	H. A. L.	23 May
do do do	...	Segovia	H. A. L.	4 June
do do do	...	Porsia	S. W. & Co.	30 May
do do do	...	Nera	M. M. & Co.	20 May
do do do	...	Silesia	H. A. L.	20 June
do do do	...	Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	20 June.
Shanghai	...	Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	1 half June
do do do	...	Tjikini	J. C. J. L.	S. half May
do do do	...	China	S. W. & Co.	4 June
do do do	...	Kwongsang	J. M. & Co.	19 May

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The s.s. Nippon Maru, with U.S. mail, is expected to arrive this port on Tuesday, the 14th inst., between 6 and 8 a.m.

The P.M.S.S. Co.'s s.s. Persia left from San Francisco on May 4th for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, and is due to arrive at this port on June 1st.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Montezuma left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via usual ports of call) on Thursday, the 2nd May, at a.m.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of India left Yokohama for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., on the 31st April, at noon.

GERMAN MAIL.

The T. K. K. s.s. Goeben carrying the German Mail, with dates from Berlin of the 17th ult., left Singapore on the 11th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on about Wednesday, the 16th inst., at 4 p.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. s.s. Empress left Sydney on May 9th for this port via Queensland ports, Port Darwin and Menla.

The E. and A. s.s. Aldonham left Sydney on the 11th inst., for Hongkong via Queensland ports, Port Darwin and Menla.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. Prinz Sigismund left Sydney on the 4th inst. at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on about Monday, the 27th of May.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. K. s.s. Tenyo Maru sailed from Yokohama for Hongkong on the 12th inst., and is expected to arrive on the 25th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Chiyo Maru sailed from Shanghai to-day for San Francisco.

The T. K. K. s.s. Shinyo Maru arrived at San Francisco on the 6th inst., and will be despatched from San Francisco to this port on the 14th inst.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Ludwig left Shanghai on Saturday, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on about Tuesday, the 14th inst., at noon.

The I. G. M. s.s. Coblenz left Kuching yesterday, the 12th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 16th inst., p.m.

The T. K. K. s.s. Hongkong Maru sailed from Yokohama on the 6th inst., for Hongkong and is expected to arrive on the 21st inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru sailed from Valparaiso, Chili, on the 8th inst., for Hongkong and is expected to arrive on the 28th prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. Buyo Maru sailed from Honolulu for South America via Mexico on the 10th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Norah left Singapore for this port on the 11th inst., at 1.30 p.m., and is due on the 16th inst., at about 8 a.m.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Palawan left Shanghai for this port on the 11th inst., at 7 a.m., and is due on the 14th inst., at about 8 a.m.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Banos is expected to arrive at Singapore on the 18th inst., at 6 p.m.

The S. S. Line s.s. Seang Cheon will be despatched from here on the 17th inst., for Hongkong, via Amoy and Swatow.

The s.s. Benvenit from Lulu and London left Singapore on the 6th inst., for this port.

The s.s. Monmouthshire is due here from London on 24th inst.

The C. S. S. s.s. Seattle Maru from Tacoma left Manila for this port on the 10th inst.

PASSENGERS.

Outward

Per P. and O. steamer China, connecting with the steamer Oceania at Colombo. From London March 23.

To Yokohama:—Mr. and Mrs. Trovelan and children.

To Singapore:—Mr. G. Frazor, Mr. B. R. C. Reid, Mr. H. de B. Williams, Mr. F. R. Sayers, Mr. N. W. Steinberg, Mr. H. H. Holdbrook, Mr. W. L. Horwell, Mr. W. A. Taylor, Mr. E. W. Taylor, Mr. P. A. Winter, Miss L. Shand, Mr. G. E. Teale, Mr. R. J. A. Wynne, Capt. R. L. Moore, Mr. J. Milne. To Penang: Mr. Park and child.

From Marseilles March 30.

Per P. and O. steamer Macedonia, connecting with the steamer Devanha at Colombo. From London April 4.

To Yokohama: Mrs. E. V. Carr. To Shanghai: Mr. H. Rosa, Miss G. Reech Miss A. Barry, Miss Kwai, Mr. H. O. F. Archer, Mr. E. S. Bennett, Miss W. L. Inman. To Hongkong: Corpl. Clarke, Mr. J. T. Cabitt.

To Bangkok: Mr. J. N. S. Owen. To Singapore:—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Boyd-Walker, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lane and child, Mr. O. E. W. Hodge, Mr. A. C. Vigers, Miss H. M. Barrett, Mr. G. Pierson, Mr. J. G. Maybank, Mr. W. B. Hutton, Inspector E. Bower, Mr. J. P. de Basseck.

From Marseilles April 11.

From Marseilles April 12.—To Yokohama: Mr. A. S. Lind-say, Mr. L. Evans, Mr. A. W. War-rack, Mr. Loveley, Mr. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. F. Daniels.

To Shanghai: Mr. H. Olearce. To Sourabaya: Mrs. Becking and children.

To Manila: Mr. W. V. A. Whyte. To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. R. Rouhens and children, Messrs. R. C. Saul, H. O. Davidson, R. St. J. Hall, J. Lattimer.

To Penang: Messrs. O. R. Har-riott, A. S. Mill, R. Pearson, O. V. Stevens.

Per P. and O. steamer Nore. From London April 6.

To Yokohama: Mr. K. Ogilvie, Mr. F. Singer.

To Shanghai:—Mrs. and Master Wedermeyer.

To Hongkong:—Mr. W. T. Harbord, Mrs. A. C. Oloverley and child, Miss King.

To Singapore:—Mrs. T. W. Rowley and child, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hanson, Mr. H. K. Shaw, Miss A. L. MacKenzie, Mrs. W. Blake and child, Mr. and Mrs. R. Williams and child, Mr. P. Armstrong, Mr. N. Robert-son, Mr. Handmann, Mr. A. E. Davis.

To Penang:—Mrs. Neubronner and children, Commander Mills, R.N., Mr. and Misses J. F. Mills, Mr. F. H. N. Evans, Mr. T. H. Thorne, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dish-man, Mr. O. H. Allin and child, Mr. W. O. Harley.

To Singapore:—Mr. de Ro-quefeuil.

Per P. and O. steamer Morea, connecting with the steamer Delta at Colombo. From London April 19:—To Shanghai: Mrs. Henderson, Mr. J. Bradley. To Hongkong: Miss O. H. Barrow. To Singapore: Mr. E. A. Gibson, Mr. H. C. H. Lane, Mr. W. J. Parsons, Mr. A. P. Handman, Mr. F. P. N. Hart, Mr. R. F. Price, Mr. S. W. Burron. To Penang: Mr. F. O. Meyrick, Mr. T. S. Wilkinson, Mr. J. Nichols, Mr. J. B. Ferguson, Mr. P. S. Castle. From Marseilles: April 26.—To Shanghai: Mr. E. Fuller. To Hongkong: Mr. E. Sutton, Mr. G. H. Hardson, Mr. S. H. Dodwell. To Singapore: Mr. J. Williamson, Mr. R. T. Garnett. To Penang: Mr. S. W. Hemmin, Mr. A. P. Galloway.

Per P. and O. steamer Simla. From London April 20:—To Yokohama: Mr. J. Symington. To Kobe: Miss Smith.

To Shanghai: Dr. and Mrs. J. Hewitt and child, Mr. E. J. Chaburn, Miss M. Herbert and Mr. H. G. Phillips.

To Hongkong: Miss Smythe. To Bangkok: Miss A. G. Oarthew.

To Singapore: Mr. V. von Someren, Col. Sergt. G. South, Sergt. W. Dowling, Sergt. H. E. Carter, Sergt. E. G. Port, Sergt. H. Maule, Corpl. P. Strong, Corpl. S. H. Klok, Mr. A. S. Rison, Miss F. A. Skoner, Mr. A. Sharp, Dr. J. A. Malloy, Mr. and

Mrs. O. Wood, Miss O. Thompson, Mrs. E. G. Port, Mrs. W. M. Sims and children, Mr. and Mrs. W. Butler and children, Mr. H. D. Hundell, Mr. T. Homsley, Mrs. G. Seath.

To Penang: Mr. W. Kaufmann, Mr. D. B. Milne, Mr. C. S. Gray, Mrs. Phillips, Mr. W. C. Harley, Mrs. A. C. Bright, Mr. G. Kinnmond, Mr. S. G. Wright, Mr. C. O. Hughes, Mr. O. E. Horsfield, Mr. J. B. F. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Boul, Mr. R. P. Kittow.

Per P. and O. steamer Marmora, connecting with the steamer Arcadia at Colombo. From London May 3.

To Bangkok: Mr. W. C. Peini-gor.

To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rigby, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Ross and child, Miss N. O. Jones, Mrs. W. Lowgood, Miss M. John, Mr. E. C. Coko.

To Penang: Mr. A. N. Steven-son, Miss M. Vosso.

From Marseilles May 10.

To Sourabaya: Mr. J. C. Ferrier.

To Singapore: Mr. H. Laugher, Mrs. J. C. Ferrier.

To Penang: Mr. D. F. Topham, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gordon-Forbes, Mr. R. D. Greenhill, Mr. C. E. Cumming, Capt. Davidson.

Per N.D.L. steamer Goeben. From Hamburg April 4.—To Yokohama: Mr. and Mrs. K. Y. Shia and child. To Sourabaya: Mr. L. Hoffmann.

From Antwerp April 8.—To Bangkok: Mr. Maru.

To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Klein and children, Messrs. W. and S. P. Klein.

From Southampton April 9.—To Yokohama: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McClure. To Bangkok: Mr. Nin.

To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hennings, Mr. R. Hibben, Miss Ronald, Mr. G. Harry, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gardyne.

To Penang: Mrs. E. F. Stewart, Captain and Mrs. R. Owen and children.

From Genoa April 18.—To Shanghai: Mrs. H. Berndt, Mrs. Bunting, Dr. H. Trauth.

To Bangkok: Mr. and Mrs. M. Mannfeld, Mr. M. Pape.

To Batavia: Mr. G. H. Mohr. To Sourabaya: Mr. and Mrs. V. O. O. van Voorhout, Mr. H. Edelbattel.

To Singapore: Mr. M. Hasche, Mr. A. Loeb, Mr. A. Maray, Mr. F. W. Schramm, Mr. O. Kirchberger, Mr. J. Liese, Mr. H. Soltau, Mr. and Mrs. Lomberger, Mrs. P. Katz and children, Mr. A. Hertzka, Mr. P. Kibler, Mr. H. Beck, Mr. R. Vogel, Miss Garnier, Mr. J. van Buren Lonsink, Mr. A. Verwoerd, Mrs. Elfrick, Captain Hainsworth, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bouman.

To Penang: Mr. and Mrs. B. B. M. Rupert and child, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bais.

From Naples April 19.—To Shanghai: Mr. Y. H. Hein.

Per P. and O. steamer Malta. From London May 18.—To Shanghai: Mrs. and Miss Youngs, Mrs. C. Hamilton and child, Mr. and Mrs. H. Franklin.

To Hongkong: Mr. B. O. Evans, Mr. A. J. Mackie. To Singapore: Mrs. I. Catto, Mr. J. Bruce.

To Penang: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thorne and children.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

C. Ferd. Leuz, Ger. s.s., 8,153, B. Palmer, 11th May—Shanghai 8th May, Gen.—H. A. L.

Fulka, Br. s.s., 2,702, H. Oldy, 11th May—Moji 8th May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Hakata Maru, Jap. s.s., 8,240, H. Nonura, 11th May—Japan, etc., 5th May, Gen.—N. Y. K.

On Sang, Br. s.s., 1,787, A. G. Smith, 11th May—Obinwantan 4th May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Sexta, Ger. s.s., 923, Jensen, 11th May—Bangkok and Hoibow 8th May—Gen.—China.

Benarlich, Br. s.s., 2,161, B. Smith, 11th May—Singapore 6th May, Gen.—G. F. & Co.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,244, F. Sembill, 13th May—Sandakan 7th May, Timor—M. & Co.

Hong Wan I, Chi. s.s., 2,060, J. Mason, 12th May—Singa-pore 7th May, Gen.—O. S. K.

Taitan, Br. s.s., 1,186, J. S. Roach, 12th May—Coast Ports 6th May, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Kwongsang, Br. s.s., 1,427, P. H. L. L. L., 12th May—Shanghai 6th May, Gen.—M. & Co.

Plaguey, Br. s.s., 1,145, 12th May—Shanghai 6th May, Gen.—M. & Co.

Sosho Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,119, K. Sukawa, 12th May—Canton 11th May, Ballast—O. S. K.

Inaba Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,887, S. Tomimaga, 12th May—Shanghai 9th May, Flour—N. Y. K.

Paklat, Ger. s.s., 1,018, G. Wenzel, 12th May—Bangkok and Hoibow 7th May, Rice—B. & S.

Helene, Ger. s.s., 771, J. Jensen, 13th May—Quibon—ah-Hoibow 12th May, Gen.—J. & Co.

Hongkong, Br. s.s., 780, Corneliassen, 12th May—Haiphong 10th May, Gen.—A. R. Marty.

Seattle Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,832, T. Sit-tow, 18th May—Manila 10th May, Gen.—O. S. K.

Kwangtiah, Chi. s.s., 1,536, Stewart, 13th May—Canton 12th May, Gen.—O. M. S. N. Co.

Anping, Chi. s.s., 1,138, McKinnon, 18th May—Canton 12th May, Gen.—O. M. S. N. Co.

Triumph, Ger. s.s., 769, Lengschwa-gar, 13th May—Haiphong and Hoibow 10th May, Gen.—J. & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HAR-BOUR OFFICE.

Koji-maru, for Milko.

Kwongsang, for Canton.

Polcevera, for Bombay.

Carl Dedolichsen, for Haiphong.

Benarlich, for Yokohama.

Taitan, for Shanghai.

Fulka, for Rangoon.

Hakata-maru, for Bombay.

Plaguey, for London.

Hong Wan I, for Singapore.

DEPARTED.

May 12.

Hainan, for Swatow.

Hongkong, for Shanghai.

Daljin-maru, for Swatow.

MARKET PRICES.

		FRENCH.				
Dupleix **	Armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000		Hongkong
Klober	1st Class cruiser	9,700	12	10,500		Saigon
Decolde	Gunboat	845	10	1,000		Saigon
Argus	River gunboat	180	8	570		Canton
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500		Canton
Peiho	Gunboat	130	—	—		Tongku
Esturgeon	Submarine	—	—	—		Saigon
Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—		Saigon
Perle	Submarine	500	—	—		Saigon
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—		Saigon
Styx *	Armoured gunboat	1,798	10	1,700		Saigon
Eronde	Destroyer	350	7	303		Saigon
d'Irville	Destroyer	—	—	—		Saigon
Takou	Destroyer	250	9	—		Hongay
Pistolet	Destroyer	130	7	300		Saigon
Monarque	Destroyer	307	6	300		Saigon
Vauban	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—		Hongay
Veteran	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—		Cap. St
Maucha	Surveying-ship	1,625	10	9,000		Saigon
<p>** Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China</p> <p>* Flagship of Commodore Boucaut, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.</p>						
<p>PORTUGUESE.</p>						
Macao	Gunboat	100	—	—		Macao
Fata	Gunboat	—	—	—		Macao
						<p>Capt. Martins</p> <p>Captain J. Milheiro</p>

Hongkong, May 11, 1912.

BUTCHER MEAT.

肉食

		Cts.
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut, — Mei Lung Pa	lb.	20
„ Corno 1, — Ham Ngau Yuk	„	20
„ Roast, — Shiu	„	20
„ Broast, — Nagu Lam	„	16
„ Soup, — Tong Yuk	„	15
„ Steak, — Ngau Yuk Pa	„	20
„ do. — Sirloin Cotom — Ngan Lau	„	30
„ Sausages, — Ngau Chung	„	24
Bullock's Brains, — Know	por set	9
„ Tongue fresh, — Ngau Li	each	45
„ „ corned, — Ham Ngan Li	„	60
„ Head, — Ngau Tan	„	12
„ Heart, — Ngau Sam	„	18
„ Hump, Salt, — Ngau Kin	„	9
„ Feet, — Ngau Kask	„	9
„ Kidneys, — Ngau Yiu	„	18
„ Tail, — Ngau Mei	lb.	12
„ Liver, — Ngau Kon	„	6
„ Tripe (undressed), — Ngau To	set	51
Calve Head & Feet, — Ngau-chai-tau-kark	lb.	22
Mutton Chop, — Young Poi Kwat	„	22
„ Leg, — Young Poi	„	20
„ Shoulder, — Young Shau	„	22
Pigs Chitlings, — Chu Chong	por set	24
„ Brains, — Chu Know	lb.	12
„ Feet, — Chu Kark	„	25
„ Fry, — Chu Chak	„	15
„ Head, — Chu Tau	each	13
„ Heart, — Chu Sum	„	9
„ Kidneys, — Chu Yiu	lb.	30
„ Liver, — Chu Con	„	20
Pork Chop, — Chu Pai Kwat	„	24
„ Corned, — Ham Chu Yuk	„	15
„ Leg, — Chu Poi	set	50
„ Fat or Lard, — Chu Yau	„	50
Sheep Head and Feet, — Young Tau Kark	each	6
„ Heart, — Young Sum	„	9
„ Kidneys, — Young Yiu	„	1
„ Liver, — Young Con	„	22
Sucking Pigs, To Order, — Chu Chai	„	20
„ Suot, Beef, — Sang Ngau Yau	„	22
„ Mutton, — Sang Yeung Yau	„	20
„ Veal, — Ngau Chai Yuk	„	20
„ Sausages, — Ngau Chai Chung	„	20

POULTRY.

生口

		Cts.
Chicken, — Kai Chai	lb.	32
Capon, Large, Small, — Sin Kai	„	35
Ducks, — Ap	each	28
Doves, — Pan Kau	per doz	25
Eggs Hen, — Kai Tan	lb.	33
Fowls, Canton, — Kai	„	28
„ Hainan, — Hoi Nam Kai	„	24
Geese, — Ngai	pair	1
Geese, Wild, Shai, — Shang-ho Yea Ngai	each	1
Musk Deer, — Wong Kang	„	1
Hare, Shanghai, — Tu Chai	„	1
Partridge, — Che Khoo	pair	\$ 1
Phasant, — Shan Kai	„	30
Pigeons, Canton, — Pak Kup	each	25
„ Hoihow, — Hoi How Pak Kup	„	20
Quail, — Um Chun	dozen	1
Rice Birds, — Wo Fa Cheul	each	68
Saupe, — Sa Choy	„	52
Turkeys, Cock, — Phor Kai Kung	lb.	52
„ Hen, — Na	„	1
Wild Ducks, Shai, — Shang hoi Sui Ap	„	1
Teal, — Sui Ap Chai	„	1
Wild Ducks Canton, — Sang Shing Sui Ap	„	1

FISH.

海鮮

		Cts.
Barbel, — Ka Yu	lb.	8
Bream, — Bin Yu	„	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish, — Hoi Sin Yu	„	22
Carp, — Li Yu	„	18
Catfish, — Ohik Yu	„	18
Codfish, — Mun Yu	„	20
Crabs, — Hai	„	15
Cuttle Fish, — Muk Yu	„	15
Dab, — Sa Mang Yu	„	11
Dace, — Wong Mei Lun	„	9
Dog Fish, — Tit Yu Sa	„	15
Eels, Congor, — Hoi Mana	„	16
„ Fresh water, — Tam Sin Yu	„	28
Eels, Yellow, — Wong Sin	„	30
Frogs, — Tien Kai	„	52
Garoupa, — Sok Pan	„	12
Gudgeon, — Pak Kup Yu	„	20
Herrings, — Tao Pak	„	28
Halibut, — Cheung Kwan Kup	„	10
Labrus, — Wong Fa Yu	„	28
Loach, — Wu Yu	„	24
Lobsters, — Lung Ha	„	28
Mackerel, — Chi Yu	„	15
Monk Fish, — Mong Yu	„	15
Mullet, — Ohai Yu	„	20
Oysters, — Sang Hoo	„	15
Parrotfish, — Kai Kung Yu	„	15
Perch, — Tau Loo	„	7
Pike, — Fa Paw Poong	„	18
Plaice, — Pan Yu	„	22
Pomfret, Black, — Hak Chong	„	24
Pomfret, White, — Pak Chong	„	48
Pawns, — Ming Ha	„	8
Ray, — Pai Pa Se	„	15
Rock Fish, — Sak Ka Kung	„	15
Salmon, — Ma Yau Yu	lb.	24

Shark, — Sa Yu	„	9
Skato, — Po Yu	„	22
Shrimps, — Ha	„	24
Snapper, — Lap Yu	„	18
Soles, — Tat Sa Yu	„	18
Tench, — Wan Yu	„	20
Turbot, — Cho How Yu	„	57
Turbot, small, fresh water, — Kork Yu	„	1
White Ba t, — Ngau Yu Chai	„	1

FRUITS.

菓子

		Cts.
Almonds, — Hung Yau	lb.	25
Apples (California) — Kom San Ping Kho	„	20
„ (Choofo) — Tin Chun Ping Kho	„	15
„ Small, — Hoi Tong	each	1
„ Custard, — Loi Lai Chi	„	1
Bananas, fragrant, Canton, — San Shing Heung Chiu	lb.	4
„ (brides), Macao, — San Heung Chiu	„	15
Chestnuts, Chinese, — Toong Lut	„	15
Carumbola, — Yeung Tuo	„	12
Cocanuts, — Yeh Tse	each	8
Lemons, China, — Ning Moong	„	6
„ America, — Kam San Ning Moon	„	25
Lichees Dried, — Lai Chi, small Stone	„	14
„ Fresh	„	12
Limes, (Saigon) — Sai Kung Ning Moong	each	25
Mango, Manila, — Lui Sung Mong	doz	12
Mangosteens, — San Chuk Tse	lb.	12
Oranges, (Canton) — San-shing Tim Ching	„	10
„ Sweet	„	10
Pears, (American), — Kam San Shoo Lay	„	10
„ (Canton), Cooking, — Sa Lay	„	10
Peanuts, — Fa Sang	„	1
Persimmons Large, — Hung Chio	„	1
Pine-apples, 1st quality, — Poon Ti Paw Law	each	3
„ 2nd	„	3
Plantain, — Tai Chou	„	8
Plums, — Swatow, Hung Lai	„	18
Pumelo, Siam, — Chim Lo Yau	each	15
„ Shanghai, — Lo Kwat	„	15
Walnuts, — Hop Tuo	„	1
„ Green, — Sang Hop Tuo	„	1
Water Melon, — (Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each	1
„ (China) Sai Kwa	„	1
Grapes, — Sang Po Tai Tse	lb.	1

VEGETABLES, &c.

菜蔬

Artichokes, Shanghai, — Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb.	8
„ Cheuk	„	10
Beans, (French), Macao, — Oh Moou Pin Tau	„	2
„ (French) Shanghai, — Sheung Hai Pin	„	4
„ Tau	„	0
„ Sprout, — Ah Chio	„	5
„ Long, — Tau Ko	each	10
Best Root, — Hung Chai Tau	„	12
Brinjals, Green, — Ching Yuan	„	1
„ Red, — Hung Ker	„	1
Cabbage, Chinese, com, — Kai Choy	„	1
Cabbage Red, — Hung Yea Choy	„	1
Cabbage, Shanghai, — Yeh Chai	lb.	1
Cane Shoots, bunch, — Kau Shun	„	1
Cauliflower, Large size, — Tai Yeh Chai Fa	each	1
„ Medium size, — Cheung Yeh Chai Fa	„	1
„ Small size, — Sai Yen Chai Fa	lb.	6
Carrots, — Kam Shun	„	8
Celery, Chinese, — Tong Kan Choi	„	5
Celery, English, — Tong Kan Choi	„	18
Chillies Dried, — Gon Lat Chiu	„	15
„ Red, — Hung Far Chiu	„	8
„ Green, — Ching Lat Chiu	„	10
Curry Staff, English, — Kar Lee Chu Liu	„	2
Cucumbers, — Ching Kwa	„	10
„ Bitter Squash, — Fa Kwa	„	8
„ Garlic, — Que Tau	„	8
Ginger, young, — Sun Tse Keung	„	8
„ old, — Lo Keung	„	14
Horse Radish, Shanghai, — Lik Kan	each	5
Indian Corn, — Suk Mai	„	1
Lettuce, — Young Sang Choi	lb.	6
Water Chestnuts, — Ma Tai	„	8
„ Mandarin, — Kwai Lum Ma Tai	„	1
Mushrooms, Fresh, — Sang Cho Koo	each	1
Mush Melon, Amer, — Kam-sun Hong Kwa	„	1
Okroes, —	„	8
Onions Bombay, — Yeung Chong Tau	„	8
„ Green, — Sang Chong	„	8
„ Shanghai, — Shang-hoi Chong Tau	each	10
Papaw, 1st qual, — Tai Man Sau Kue	„	8
„ 2nd Chung	„	10
Parsley, — Kun Cho	„	10
Green Peas, — Ching Tau	lb.	8
Potatoes, Sweet, — Fan Shu	„	1
„ Shanghai, — Shang-hoi Shu Tse	„	1
„ Japan, — Yut Poon Shu Tse	„	3
„ American, — Pa Ki Shu Tse	„	3
„ Foochow, — Foo-chow Shu Tse	„	3
Pumpkin, — Tong Kwa	„	5
„ Radish, — Hung Lo Pak Tse	„	1
Rhubarb (Fresh), — Tai Wong	„	1
„ Sage, — Tao So	„	8
„ Shallots, — Gon Chung Tau	„	4
Spinach, — Yin Chai	„	8
„ Tomatoes, — Fan Ker	„	4
Taro, — Wu Tan	„	3
Turnips, Panti, (Long), — Lo Pak	„	2
„ English, — Yeung Lo Pak	„	4
Vegetable Marrow, — Chit Kwa	„	12
„ (American), — Kam-san Chit Kwa	„	5
Water Cress, — Sai Yeung Cho	„	8
„ Lily root, — Lin Ngen	„	5
Yams, — Ta Shu	„	5

The prices necessarily vary from day to day and the Family Board has no power to compel stallholders to sell at the prices quoted.

W. BOWEN ROWLANDS
Secretary, Sanitary Board

COMMERCIAL.

Freight Circular.

Messrs. Lamke and Rogge's freight circular, dated May 11, states:—The change for the better reported in last issue has been fully maintained up to beginning of this week, chartering was again quite active, though owing to scarcity of tonnage actual chartering business has been confined to a somewhat smaller compass than during the preceding fortnight. Whilst the close there is a falling off in the demand for tonnage Saigon to Hongkong, a good demand still prevails for Saigon to Philippines, and the North also reports that trade there continues brisk.

Saigon-Hongkong:—When last reported the closing rate was 18 cents. The local rice market further improved and freights gradually worked their way up to 20.1-2 cents per picul—a single fixture only—which is the top rate so far paid this season. Under the influence of a weaker local rice market the rate relaxed again, and since last week there are no further orders quoted for prompt or forward loading. Exports during this season amount to total 162,892 tons, out of which 78,195 tons since middle of March—as compared with 253,585 tons same period last year. Quotation stands for May-June shipment \$5.92, per picul f. o. b. against \$5.16 same time last year.

Saigon - Singapore.—Several enquiries have reached here in the course of last week, but business in that direction had no attraction for local owners.

Saigon - Philippines:—Prompt loading has been in good demand throughout the fortnight, but chartering was restricted owing to scarcity of available tonnage. A couple of charters were put through at very good rates, however at the close market is slightly easier owing to some of the vessels formerly employed in the cattle trade competing for such charters. One of these vessels has already been fixed at much reduced rate. In consequence of the discovery of rinderpest amongst cattle exported from Indo-China an order has been issued by the Philippine Government prohibiting further importation of cattle from Phnompenh and until such restriction is withdrawn, rates may not be sustained on basis of recent fixtures.

Rangoon-Manila.—Two charters were put through, last rate exported being 40 cents per picul.

Newchwang-Canton.—Local bean market showing no improvement and several cargoes still to arrive shortly, there are only two settlements on record, in the last instance charterers preferring to pay a slightly higher rate for the reduced quantity offered.

Timocheers.—Norw. s.s. Helios has again been taken up in continuation of present charter by the Borneo Co., for further 12 months.

Sales.—The China Nav. Co.'s s.s. Novohwang, 558 tons net reg., built in 1877, has been sold for \$20,300 to local Chinese to be placed on the regular Quong Chowwan run, and the twin screw oil carrying s.s. Timsin, 134 tons net reg., built in 1884, is reported sold to Russian buyers.

Market Report.
By Russell & Co.
May, 6.

Hemp—
Good Current P10.4
Midway 14.4
25 c/o over Fair
current 13.
U.S. U.S. 11.
U.K. 8.6
Super. 2nds 7.4
Good 2nds 7.3
Good Reds 7.
Magway No. 1. 8.
Sugar—
Hollo No. 1 P7.00
" " 2 6.40
" " 3 5.50
" " 4 4.90
Batangs 8.80 5.75
Hocos 3.00
Copra—
Supr. Sun dried P11.8
Laguna 11.
F.M. Manila 11.4
Rice—
Saigon 2s. P 7
Bangkok 0.65
Pangasinan 7.15
2nd white paddy 7.25
Gum Almaciga
Mixed P7.20

To day's
Advertisements.

SEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENVOL CH."

FROM LEITH, LONDON
AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining and delivered after the 18th inst. will be subject to rent. All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 28th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th inst. at 11 a.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

J. B. LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong 13th May 1912. 378CANTON-KOWLOON
RAILWAY.

THE Public is hereby notified that on and from Wednesday, May 8th, the following alterations will be made in the Time Table in force:—

No. 7 Down Train will leave Canton at 11 a.m. instead of at 11.45 a.m. as at present advertised, and No. 10 Up Train will leave Shun Chai at 12.55 p.m. instead of 1 p.m. The train advertised to leave Hongkong for Taipei, Canton and Shun Chai on Sunday at 1.15 a.m. will be discontinued until further notice.

From this date also First and Second Class Return Tickets between Hongkong or Kowloon and Canton or vice versa, will be available for the return journey for one week from date of issue instead of as at present for two days.

Return Tickets to and from intermediate Stations, however, will remain as before available for two days after date of issue.

By Order,
H. P. WINSLOW, By Order,
Manager, Chinese Section, Canton-Kowloon Railway.
Kowloon, 13th May 1912. 374

To Sail

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG
AND CALCUTTA.

(Taking cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Rangoon, Madras, and Mauritius.)

THE Chartered Steamship

"SEISANG"
Captain S. J. Payne, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 14th inst., at 1 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th May 1912. 369

FOR KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR."
will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 14th inst., at Noon.
This Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed with Electric Light and carries a fully equipped doctor.
It returns to be available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamer, Fare for round trip, \$20.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th May 1912. 356

THE AMERICAN & MAN-
CHURIAN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK.

(With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast and to proceed via the Cape of Good Hope.)
THE Steamship
"MATOPPO,"
Captain Durnand, will be despatched for the above port on or about WEDNESDAY, 15th May.
For Freight and further information apply to

THE BANK LINE, LTD.

Hongkong 15th April 1912. 309

Regular Steamship Service

(With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast and to proceed via the Cape of Good Hope.)
Proposed Sailing from Hongkong.

FOR NEW YORK.

S.S. "MUNCASTER" for or about 25th May.
For Freight and further information apply to

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 4th May 1912. 351

Public Companies

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, at 12.30 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 28th May, 1912, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1911, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 14th May to the 28th May, both days inclusive.

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LTD.,
W. G. DARBY,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 9th May 1912. 1370

PEAK TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the 11 M'ntong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 18th day of May, 1912, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th April, 1912.

The Transfer Book of the Company will be closed from the 14th instant, to the 28th instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 9th May 1912. 1371

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAM-
BER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

A Special Meeting of the Members will be held on MONDAY, the 20th May, 1912, at 4 o'clock p.m. in the Chamber Room, St. George's Building, to nominate a Member of the Chamber to fill the place of the Hon. E. A. HOSSETT, C.M.G., during 9 months' leave of absence granted to him by H.E. The Officer Administering the Government.

Notice in writing of the names of Candidates and of their Proposers and Secondaries to be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the General Meeting.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th May 1912. 1366

NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that M. S. MORIMOTO has been appointed AGENT of the TOYO KISEN KAISHA at HONGKONG with effect from this date, on the transfer of M. K. MATSUDA to YOKOHAMA.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.
King's Buildings.
Hongkong, 8th May 1912. 1364

G. R. R.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S
SERVICE.

TENDERS are invited for the supply of Carpenters, Cooks, Plaster, Plumbers, Painters, Barbers, Shoemakers or Leatherworkers, to H.M. Naval Yard.

Points of Tender can be obtained at the Chief Constructor's Office, H.M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, and should be filled in and returned as indicated in Tender Form not later than noon, SATURDAY, 18th May 1912.

E. R. BAILEY,
Chief Constructor.
H.M. Naval Yard, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 6th May 1912. 1358

SOCIETA NAZIONALE DI
SERVIZIO MARITTIMO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"POLOVERA,"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All Claims must be sent to the Office of the undersigned before Noon, on the 18th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All Claims must be presented within 10 days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst. at 9.30 a.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

CARLOWITS & CO.
Agents.
Hongkong, 10th May 1912. 1366

Banks

INTERNATIONAL BANKING
CORPORATION.

Depository of the U.S. Government in the Philippines and the Republic of Panama.
Head Office—60, Wall Street, New York.
London Office—5, Abchurch Lane, E.C.4.

BRANCHES:

Bombay, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Manila, Mexico, Panama, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Capital and Reserve \$100,000,000
Assets \$1,000,000,000

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms.

DEPOSITS RECEIVED, fixed for the year at 4% per annum or for shorter periods, at rates, which may be ascertained on application.

LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS, granted on all the principal cities in the world.
THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.
COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.

PURCHASE and Sale of Stocks and Shares effected.

The Officers of the Bank are bound not to disclose the transactions of any of its branches.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 22nd March 1912. 19

THE
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK,
LIMITED.

Established 1880.
AUTHORIZED CAPITAL YEN 48,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... 30,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... 17,500,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches at Agents at
Amoy, Hongkong, Nagasaki,
Canton, Hankow, New York,
Cebu, Manila, Yokohama,
Peking, Tientsin,
Shanghai, Kobe,
Lyons, Tokyo.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April 1912. 18

Consignee.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG
and SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"
having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at consignee's risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 11th instant, will be landed at consignee's risk and expense.

Consignees of cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside, as cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th May 1912. 1367

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVI-
GATION CO., LTD.FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 7th instant, will be landed at consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON
& CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th May 1912. 1359

WING KEE & CO.

47-49, Cornhill R.

SHIPHANDLERS.

PROVISION & COAL.

MERCHANTS.

Banks

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$1,000,000
ASSETS \$11,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

F. H. ARMSTRONG, Esq., Chairman
Andrew Forbes, Esq., Deputy Chairman
G. H. BAKER, Esq., J. L. BARNES, Esq.,
C. S. GIBBY, Esq., Hon. Mr. G. E. ROSS,
G. R. LAUREN, Esq., H. A. SLEA, Esq.,
F. LEE, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—N. J. STARR.

MANAGERS:
Shanghai—H. R. R. HUNTER.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY
AND WESTCHESTER BANK LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts at the rate of 4% per Cent.
—Annual on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 5% per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 5 1/2% per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 6% per Cent. per Annum.
N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 4% per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4% per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF
INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND
CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL
CHARTER 1858.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$1,200,000
RESERVE FUND \$1,650,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF
PROPRIETORS \$1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and
General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

W. DICKSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April 1912. 122

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE
BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY
PAID-UP—Sh. Taels 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS—BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin, Calcutta, Canton,
Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe,
Peking, Shanghai, Tientsin,
Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS:

Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S
BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON,
AGENTS.

DISCOUNT ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS.

INTEREST allowed on Current
Accounts. DEPOSITS received on terms
which may be learned on application.

Every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. 12

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,500,000
Paid Up " 1,125,000
Reserve Fund " 552,000
Total " 2,227,000

HEAD OFFICE:

40, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

BRANCHES:

Bombay, Calcutta, Canton,
Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe,
Peking, Shanghai, Tientsin,
Yokohama.

AGENTS IN JAPAN:

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
BANKERS:

Bank of England,
London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.
Stocks and Shares bought and sold
on account of Customers. Letters of
Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 3% per Cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

Y. O. MACDONALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May 1912. 116

Exchange

Selling.

T/T 1/11 15/16
Demand 2/- 1/16
30 d/a 2/- 1/16
60 d/a 2/- 1/16
T/T Shanghai 2/- 1/16
T/T Singapore 2/- 1/16
T/T Japan 2/- 1/16
T/T India 2/- 1/16
T/T Siam 2/- 1/16
T/T Java 2/- 1/16
T/T Manila 2/- 1/16
T/T Hongkong 2/- 1/16
T/T Canton 2/- 1/16
T/T Shanghai and New York 2/- 1/16
T/T Java 2/- 1/16
T/T Manila 2/- 1/16
T/T Hongkong 2/- 1/16
T/T Canton 2/- 1/16

Buying.

4 m/s. L/O 2/- 7/16
5 m/s. L/O 2/- 9/16
6 m/s. L/O 2/- 9/16
80 d/a. Sydney & Melbourne 2/- 11/16
80 d/a. San Francisco & New York 49
1 m/s. Marks 2/00
1 m/s. France 2/57
6 m/s. do 2/59
Bar Silver, ready 2/7
forward 2/8
Bank of England rate 2/4
Sovereigns 2/10

Subsidiary Coins.

Discount per \$100.
Chinese ... 20 cts. pieces ... \$8
Chinese ... 10 " ... \$8
Hongkong 20 " ... \$7
Hongkong 10 " ... \$8 9/10

Optim Quotation.

April 28.
Malwa, New \$3.880 per picul
Malwa, Old 3.420 " "
Malwa, V. Old 3.400 " "
Persian, fine quality 1,700 " "
Patna, New 3.750 per che
Patna, Old 3.600 " "
Benares, New 3.650 " "
Benares, Old 3.600 " "

SHARE REPORT.

1-BUYERS. 2A-SALE. 3-BUYERS.

STOCKS & PAID UP VALUE.

CLOSING QUOTE.

LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE.

SPORT.

Sullivan Resigns Belt.

Middleweight Champion Retires from Ring.

A sensational climax has been reached in the middleweight boxing championship situation. When Jim Sullivan—the holder of the Lonsdale belt, which carries with it the championship of England—whose whereabouts was a mystery for several days, read a statement that the National Sporting Club would not wait longer for his acceptance of the challenge of Jack Harrison, he wired to his representative resigning the belt and title.

Sullivan's telegram was brief and to the point, leaving no room for doubt as to his intentions. It appears that Sullivan has been taking the sunny air of Brighton, as the telegram signed by him to Mr. Harry Williams, his manager, emanated from that resort.

The message read:—
Mr. Harry Williams, London:—

Retire from boxing.—Jim. Tensely stated, it conveyed Sullivan's intentions not only to decline the match with Harrison at the National Sporting Club today (May 13), but also to retire permanently from the ring. This determination of Sullivan's has come as a great surprise to thousands of his admirers.

Trenchant Telegram.
Mr. Williams—who was astonished at the intelligence conveyed through Sullivan's trenchant telegram—replied at once to the National Sporting Club, and was met there by a press representative. The news was communicated to Mr. Bettinson, but the latter was in no way disconcerted by it. In fact he received it as though he had expected it.

Mr. Williams expressed his personal regret that Sullivan should have taken such a course, but as the middleweight championship was the best judge of his own affairs he passed no opinion upon it.

In an interview Mr. Bettinson stated: "It is much better that Sullivan should act this way instead of delaying matters. His present attitude does not debar him from again competing for the belt should he change his mind. As for the belt, it is only fair to Harrison—who challenged Sullivan and who has been in training for the contest—that he should have a try for it, and I will give him a match on the original date (May 13) against the winner of the Private McEnroy-Sid Ellis eliminating contest, and the belt will be awarded to the winner."

Harrison may get the Lonsdale belt this season after all.

FIRE AT A SHANGHAI BANK.

The spectacle of the topmost storeys of the buildings of the Ningpo Commercial Bank in flames attracted a large crowd to the vicinity of Ningpo and Kiangso Roads at a late hour the other night. The fire alarm had been sounded at 11.45 p.m., by which time flames were issuing from the roof and windows of the building. This structure is the tallest in the immediate district, and with the attics and top storey in flames, with clouds of smoke hanging overhead, a rare spectacle presented itself.

It is supposed, says the "N. China Daily News," that something in the electric wires may have caused the fire. In the flat, which is occupied as residential quarters by the share of the bank, it was noticed some time before the outbreak that something had gone wrong with the lighting arrangements, but by the time the actual fire was discovered, the place must have been well alight. Upon the arrival of the Fire Brigade the walls of the adjacent houses were rapidly sealed, and from the roofs powerful engine streams were directed into the interior of the burning rooms. While the roof was burnt through, the damage by fire was confined to the attics and top storey, although it was inevitable that the premises below, occupied by Messrs. W. Hewitt & Co. and the Ningbo Steam Navigation Co., should suffer by water which soon leaked through the ceilings. Particulars of the total damage have not been ascertained.

LOCAL SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS.

L.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.

On Saturday, the H.K.C.C. were easily beaten by the L.R.C. and the victory was due in a great measure to the splendid play of Messrs. H. A. Nisbet and H. R. Phillips over Capt. Bowen and Mr. A. R. Sutherland, who were beaten by 17 games to 1. Messrs. Hancock were in excellent form and made a clean sweep of all before them, and had they been assisted by the other members of the Club the result might have been different, as the Club were leading by four games half way through the match. The following were the players:—
H.K.C.C.—Messrs. R. and H. Hancock, Mr. R. D. Stewart and Capt. C. A. James, Capt. F. J. Bowen and Mr. A. R. Sutherland.
L.R.C.—Messrs. H. A. Nisbet and H. R. Phillips, Capt. M. F. Day and Capt. G. T. Brierley, Capt. R. D. Crawford and Mr. C. Willson.

At the conclusion of the match, the prizes competed for in the recent Club Government were presented to the winners by Miss Enid Potts.

The winners were as follows:—
Championship Singles—Mr. H. A. Nisbet, who beat Capt. Day, the champion in 1911.

Singles Handicap, "A" class—Capt. F. J. Bowen (owe 4/0).
Singles Handicap, "B" class—Mr. R. Henderson (rec. 3/0).

Doubles Handicap, "A" class—Messrs. H. A. Nisbet and H. R. Phillips (owe 30).

Doubles Handicap, "B" class—Capt. F. J. Agg and Capt. M. C. S. Simson (rec. 5/0).

Professional Pairs—Capt. R. D. Crawford and Capt. M. F. Day.

Hongkong Tennis League.
Three League matches were played on Saturday. That between Wigwam and Club de Recreo produced a keen struggle, the former winning by one game—5 to 4.

Craigengower won their match against the Chinese Y. M. C. A. Queen's College defeated Civil Service by 55 games to 44.

WHIST DRIVE.
A very pleasant mixed whist drive, followed by a dance was held in the Royal Artillery Theatre on Friday night under the auspices of the R.G.A. Sergeants Sports Club. Players to the number of 140 took part in the whist drive. The following is the list of prize winners:—
Ladies' prizes.—1st Mrs. Saunders, 2nd Mr. Barnes, 3rd Mrs. Stephens, 4th Mrs. Beana, 5th Mrs. Smith. Consolation prize, Miss Hurle.

Gentlemen's prizes.—1st Mr. Oulter, 2nd Mr. Leadbeater, 3rd Mr. Hurle, 4th Mr. Porter, 5th Mr. Ponsford.

Consolation prize.—Mr. Jenkins.

Gents. playing as ladies:—1st Mr. Bradbury, 2nd Mr. Norris. Hidden Number.—Mr. Stephens.

Miss Hurle and Mr. Jenkins were responsible for the musical arrangements, which were carried out to the satisfaction of all.

MANILA'S GREAT HEAT.

Close of Longest Spell for Thirty Years.

The drop on May 6 in the maximum temperature to 98.9 degrees closed the longest period of greatest heat experienced in Manila for over 30 years—sixteen consecutive days, commencing April 20 and ending May 5, with the maximum temperature above 98° (98.8 F), and but a slight improvement made on May 6. Furthermore no improvement in the situation is looked for until a shower comes.

According to the "Manila Times," Father Coronas, of the Manila Observatory, states that the only relief from the present heat spell is a typhoon, but changes in the wind to the southwest would cause a slight alleviation by bringing in the sea breezes. The highest temperature experienced during the 16 days was 97.5° C (20.5 F) at 8.10 p.m. on April 29, when the heat peaked but 1.5 F of cooling the highest recorded in Manila 32 years.

POST OFFICE.

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe. Letters for this route should be superscribed via Siberia.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hupei, Hunan and Tsingyueh.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Let	Due
London	Shanghai
April 20th.	May 7th.
April 24th.	May 10th.

MAILS DUE.

America, Tenyo Mats, 25th in t.
German, Coeben, 15th inst.
German, Prinz Ludwig, 14th inst.

MAILS CLOSURE.

Hoihow, Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Carl Diederichsen, 14th May, 8 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Foochow—Per Hailan, 14th May, 10 a.m.

Japan via Kobe—Per A. Apsar, 14th May, 10 a.m.

Strait and Burma—Per Fatalet, 14th May, 11 a.m.

Strait and India via Calcutta—Per Suirang, 14th May, 11 a.m.

Siberian Mail.
Shanghai, North China, Japan, India, United States, Canada and South America, via San Francisco (Europe, via Siberia)—Per Nile, 14th May, noon.

Macao—Per Sai Tai, 14th May, 1.15 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Kaifong, 14th May, 8 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand—Per Tai-yuan, 15th May, 10 a.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 15th May, 10 a.m.

Strait, Burma, Ceylon, Aden, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes, in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) Late Letters 11 to 11.30 a.m. Extra postage 10 cents.—Per Prinz Ludwig, 15th May, 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa—Per Soshu-maru, 16th May, 9 a.m.

Batavia, Sumatra and Sourabaya—Per Tjimonok, 16th May, 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sai Tai, 16th May, 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Chiaoan, 16th May, 8 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 17th May, 10 a.m.

Japan via Yokohama—Per Itola, 17th May, 11 a.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Kulaang, 18th May, 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Yucasang, 18th May, 1 p.m.

China and Tientsin—Per Huichow, 18th May, 8 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Yon, Maroon, Friedrich, Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Herat, Hobe, Matsui, Samarai, Austr. N. New Zealand and Tasmania via B. Libby—Per Coblenz, 18th May, 4 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Kwongyang, 18th May, 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Fookkaang, 18th May, 5 p.m.

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VESSELS IN PORT.

STRANERS.

Arratoon Apar, Br. s.s., 2,981. J. M. Austin, 9th May—Swatow 3rd May, Gen.—D. S. & Co.
Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774. Ch. Jorgensen, 10th May—Haiphong and Hoihow 9th May, Gen.—J. & Co.

Chihli, Br. s.s., 1,148. F. McGahey, 11th May—Canton 10th May, Gen.—B. & S.
Chohsing, Ger. s.s., 1,402. J. Bishu, 10th May—Bangkok and Swatow 9th May, Rice.—B. & S.

Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,562. J. Jenkins, 9th May—Seigon 4th May, Rice.—Man Fat.
Drufar, Nor. s.s., 1,102. J. Bing, 10th May—Bangkok via Swatow 9th May, Gen.—Kin Tay Loong.

Esilka, Br. s.s., 2,697. W. E. Whittingham, 5th May—Rangoon 28th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Fuchun, Br. s.s., 1,079. R. H. Pratt, 11th May—Tientsin 5th May, Gen.—C. M. Co.

Hupeli, Br. s.s., 1,208. A. Tucker, 5th May—Canton 4th May, Gen.—B. & S.
Kaifong, Br. s.s., 987. J. V. Sidford, 10th May—Cebu, Hoihow and Manila 7th May, Gen.—B. & S.

Keenun, Br. s.s., 5,871. Curadi, 11th May—Victoria, B.C. 17th April, Gen.—B. & S.
Keong Wai, Ger. s.s., 1,115. F. Kohler, 10th May—Bangkok 1st May, Rice.—B. & S.

Kohwachang, Ger. s.s., 1,929. Rotinsky, 11th May—Manila 8th May, Ballast.—B. & S.
Koji Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,837. Cowin, 10th May—Milke 4th May, Coal.—M. B. K.

Locksun, Ger. s.s., 1,020. W. Tumbert, 11th May—Bangkok 9th May, Rice.—B. & S.
Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,021. G. Schultzen, 6th May—Saigon 2nd May, Rice.—B. & S.

Lycemoon, Ger. s.s., 1,286. Helfhof, 30th April—Saigon 26th April, Rice.—H. A. L.
Machew, Ger. s.s., 998. R. G. Zollner, 8th May—Saigon 4th May, Rice.—B. & S.

Mongolia, Am. s.s., 8,750. Henry E. Morton, 8th May—San Francisco 10th April, Mail and Gen.—P. M. Co.
Merapi, Br. s.s., 1,480. Ulfall, 8th May—Singapore 2nd May, Sugar.—Chinese.

Nile, Br. s.s., 8,185. Eccleston, 8th April—San Francisco 3rd April, Gen.—P. M. Co.
Polcevera, Italian s.s., 1,925. De A. Augusto, 8th May—Bombay 17th April, Gen.—Order.

Profit, Nor. s.s., 900. Olson, 5th May—Saigon 1st May, Rice.—A. T. & Co.
Rajah, Ger. s.s., 1,275. A. Roscher, 7th May—Rejang 1st May, Timber.—North Germ. L.L.

Salahadj, Dutch s.s., 1,287. F. Reeder, 9th May—Balki Papan 2nd May, Bulk oil.—A. P. & Co.
Suisang, Br. s.s., 1,778. M. Picknell, 6th May—Calcutta 22nd April, Gen.—J. M. Co.

Taiyuan, Br. s.s., 1,450. O. Priest, 11th May—Sydney 18th April, Gen.—B. & S.
Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,340. Fraser, 10th May—Saigon 6th May, Gen.—Wo Fat Sing.

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

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